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TOWN OF HAMPTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

ANNUAL



REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31

1996

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

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POLICE EMERGENCY.....	9-1-1

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TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

FOR ANSWERS ON:.....CALL THE.....AT:

Administration (Town Government)	Town Manager	926-6766
Assessment of Property	Assessing Office	929-5837
Bills & Accounts	Accounting	929-5815
Building/Electrical/Plumbing Permits	Building Inspector	929-5911
Cemeteries	High St. Cemetery	926-6659
Certificates of Occupancy	Building Inspector	929-5826
District Court	Clerk of Courts	926-8117
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	926-0406
Elections/Voter Registration	Town Clerk	926-0406
Fire Routine Business	Fire Department	926-3316
Health - Complaints & Inspections	Building Inspector	929-5826
Library	Lane Memorial Library	926-3368
Motor Vehicle Registrations	Town Clerk	926-0406
Recreation & Parks	Recreation Dept	926-3932
Rubbish Collection	Public Works	926-4402
Transfer Station	Public Works	926-3202
Taxes	Tax Collector	926-6769
Welfare Assistance	Welfare Office	926-5948
Zoning & Building Codes	Building Inspector	929-5826

HOURS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Town Offices are open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Town Clerk is open 9 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Monday and

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tuesday thru Friday

Welfare Office is open 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Lane Memorial Library - Mon. thru Thurs. 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

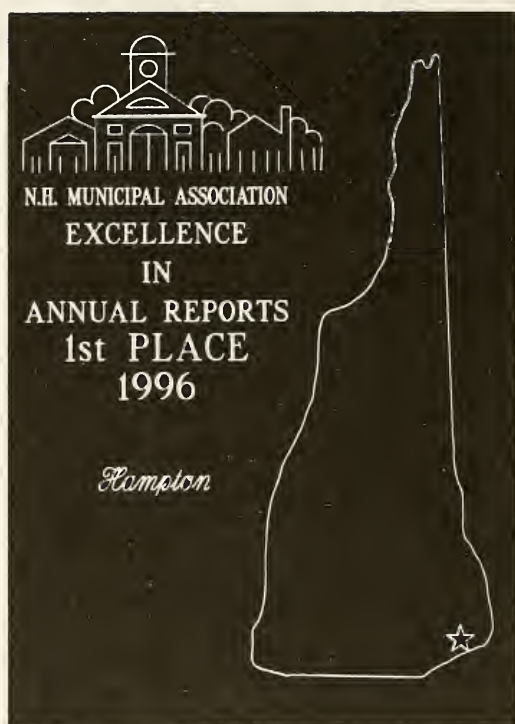
Friday & Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

On the cover: Aerial shot of the Hampton landfill, at 99% completion of closure. Photo taken by Ben French, Hampton, a Senior at Winnacunnet High School on January 9, 1997. Flight time donated by Hampton Air Field. Ben's flight instructor Matt Thomas was the pilot. The Board of Selectmen thanks Ben for volunteering to take this photo for this report.



Town of Hampton **New Hampshire**

**359th Annual Report
for the
Fiscal Year
Ended December 31, 1996**



The USS HAMPTON made it's first visit to it's New Hampshire namesake, for more photos see pages 94-96. (Photos by Arthur J. Moody)



DEDICATION

The Town of Hampton's Annual Report for 1996 is dedicated to the memory of the following persons who served in Town government positions – both elective and appointive, as well as in our operational departments. An appreciative community honors their years of public service.

Robert L. Brindamour

*Member of first elected
Planning Board, 1980-1984*

Martin E. Gunther

*Member of first elected
Budget Committee, 1954-1960*

Gene D. Melson

*Firefighter (Permanent),
Hampton Fire Department,
1950's - 1960's*

Michael R. Robidas

*Route 1 Steering Committee
1994-1995*

IN MEMORIAM



Michael R. Robidas

3/22/56 - 6/4/96

Michael R. Robidas justly earned the respect, admiration and high regard of all with whom he came into contact, and the Town of Hampton has sustained a great loss. Mike's service to the town was marked by exemplary dedication to the best interests of the community, as he worked for the betterment of its recreational, economic and aesthetic development. The Town of Hampton hereby extends to his family this expression of sincere regret for his loss, and the hope that they will be consoled by the memories of his fine life and achievements.

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Town of Hampton



A PROCLAMATION USS HAMPTON DAY -- AUGUST 4, 1996

- WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Navy named a new warship, being constructed by Newport News Shipbuilding in Virginia, the "HAMPTON" in honor of Hampton, New Hampshire, and three other municipalities in Iowa, South Carolina and Virginia -- together constituting four of our country's seventeen communities named Hampton; and
- WHEREAS, officials of the Town of Hampton, New Hampshire, traveled to Virginia and proudly participated in the Christening of this new LOS ANGELES- Class nuclear-powered, fast-attack submarine on September 28, 1991, and in her Commissioning into the Atlantic Fleet on November 6, 1993; and
- WHEREAS, The Town of Hampton, New Hampshire, Commissioning Committee, for a namesake community's traditional Commissioning Gift, presented privately-raised funds to help establish the USS HAMPTON Scholarship Fund to benefit the college educational pursuits of present and former members of the ship's complement and their families; and
- WHEREAS, this major ship of the United States Navy -- with a length of 360 feet and a displacement of over 9,000 tons, which is comparable to that of a World War II Light Cruiser -- in February 1996 completed a six-month operational deployment to the Mediterranean where she was involved in the NATO peace-keeping efforts in the Bosnia area; and
- WHEREAS, in August 1995, this Town invited the USS HAMPTON's 140 officers and crew to visit this "Old Town by the Sea" so that we can get to know each other; and
- WHEREAS, the invitation was met with official Navy approval and the USS HAMPTON will berth at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and be open for tours on August 3rd & 4th, having sailed from her homeport of Norfolk, Virginia, with a stopover at the Groton Submarine Base in Connecticut;
- NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Selectmen of the Town of Hampton, do hereby welcome Commanding Officer Stathos, the officers and crewmen of the USS HAMPTON (SSN-767), and call this unprecedented event to the attention of all Hamptonians, inviting them to show the seacoast hospitality due those involved in the continual vigilance necessary for our National Security and who, being so entrusted with that great responsibility, are carrying the name "Hampton" across the seas;
- AND, FURTHER, WE hereby proclaim, Sunday, August 4, 1996, as USS HAMPTON DAY when the citizens of Hampton, New Hampshire, will be honored by the presence of the officers and crew of the USS HAMPTON at a Community Lobster and Clambake.

Given at the Selectmen's Meeting Room this 22nd Day of July, 1996 A.D., in the 358th year of the Town of Hampton's permanent settlement and in the 221st year of the Independence of the United States of America.



Mary-Kristin Kestay
Chairman
Brian C. Walsh
Virginia B. Biddle
Michael Blouffe

Steve Papp Town Manager

❖ ELECTED GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS ❖

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Mary-Louise Woolsey, Chairman.....	926-3544
Arthur Moody, Vice Chairman.....	926-2111
Brian C. Warburton.....	926-6063
Michael T. Plouffe, Sr.....	926-3793
Virginia B. Bridle.....	926-7216
(Selectmen's Office Telephone Number - 926-6766)	

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMISSIONER (District 1)

Katharin Pratt.....	926-3531
Brentwood Office.....	679-2256

STATE REPRESENTATIVES (Rockingham District 23)

Sheila Francoeur.....	926-2554
Jane Kelley.....	926-2903
Andrew Christie.....	926-7106
Kenneth Malcolm.....	926-3034
Robert Cushing.....	926-2737

STATE SENATOR (District 23)

Beverly Hollingworth.....	926-4880
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EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR (District 3)

Ruth L. Griffin.....	436-5272
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GOVERNOR

Jeanne Shaheen.....	271-2121
Citizen Service Number	1-800-852-3456

CONGRESSMAN (First District of N.H.)

John E. Sununu.....	1-800-852-3456
U.S. Capital Congressional Directory	1-800-972-3524

U.S. SENATORS

Bob Smith.....	1-800-922-2230
Judd Gregg.....	431-2171

PRESIDENT

William Clinton	
White House Switchboard.....	1-202-456-1414
Comments and Opinions.....	1-202-456-7639

❖ HAMPTON TOWN OFFICERS/1996 ❖

Elected

		Term Expires
Moderator	John R. Walker	1998
Selectmen	Mary-Louise Woolsey, Chairman	1997
	Arthur J. Moody, Vice-Chairman	1997
	Brian C. Warburton	1998
	Michael T. Plouffe	1999
	Virginia B. Bridle	1999
Town Clerk	Arleen Andreozzi (Deputy-Betty Poliquin)	1998
Collector of Taxes	Ann W. Kaiser (Deputy: Joyce Sheehan)	1997
Treasurer	Ellen M. Lavin (Deputy: Margaret Chidester)	1999
Trustees of the Trust Funds	C. Raymond Gilmore, Chairman	1999
	John J. Kelley, Sr.	1997
	Robert V. Lessard	1998
Supervisors of the Checklist	Charlotte K. Preston, Chairman	1998
	Betty H. Moore	2000
	Judith A. DuBois	2002
Planning Board	Fred Pineo, Chairman (Resigned 12/96)	1998
	Carolyn Payzant, Clerk (Chairman 12/96)	1999
	Peter Olney, Vice Chairman	1997
	Keith R. Lessard, Clerk (from 12/96)	1998
	Arthur J. Moody, Selectmen Member	1997
	John J. Nickerson	1997
	Robert Viviano	1999
	Curtis G. McCrady (Appointed 4/97)	1997
	Alternates: John Walker	1997
	Cliff Pratt	1998
Municipal Budget Committee	John Payzant, Chairman	1998
	Jane Cameron, Vice Chairman	1997
	Bonnie B. Scarle, Clerk	1998
	Keith R. Lessard	1997
	John M. Callanan	1997
	Richard E. Pouliot	1997

	Sharleene Hurst (Resigned)	1998
	William R. Hoag (Appointed)	1997
	James Tierney	1998
	Lawrence S. Forsley	1999
	Paul D. Comeau	1999
	Paul T. Corbett	1999
	Scott Vandersall	1999
	Brian Warburton, Selectman (Through 11/96)	1997
	Michael T. Plouffe, Selectman (12/6/96)	1997
	Carol Hollingworth, School Board	1997
	Thomas Higgins, Precinct Member	1997
Library		
Trustees	Gerald McConnell , Chairman	1999
	Thomas E. Donaldson	1997
	James Inglis, Jr.	1997
	Elizabeth A. Lavallee	1998
	Catherine B. Anderson	1999
Cemetery		
Trustees	Danny J. Kenney, Co- Chairman	1997
	Matthew J. Shaw, Co-Chairman	1999
	Charlotte K. Preston	1998
Zoning Board of		
Adjustment	Curtis G. McCrady, Chairman	1999
	Robert V. Lessard	1997
	George Cagliuso	1997
	Wendell C. Ring, Jr.	1998
	Richard W. True	1999
Alternates:	Judith A. Doyle	1997
	Bruce I. Nickerson	1997

❖ APPOINTED BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ❖

Highway Safety	Brian Lacey, Chairman (from 6/96)	1999
Committee	Judith A. Park, Chairman (to 6/96)	1998
	Alan W. Roach	1997
	Robert R. Ross	1998
	Zane S. Blanchard	1999

Conservation Commission	Vivianne G. Marcotte, Chairman	1997
	Alberta True	1997
	Bonnie P. Thimble	1998
	Peter Tilton, Jr.	1998
	Betty Callanan	1998
	Daniel P. Gangai	1999
	David Weber	1999
	Alternates:	
	Peter Kowalski	1997
	Ellen Goethel	1998
	Kenneth Sheffert	1999
Leased Land Real Estate Commission	Arthur J. Moody, Acting Chair.	1995
	Hollis W. Blake	1994
	John H. Woodburn	1998
	Raymond E. Alie	1997
	Glyn P. Eastman	2001
Mosquito Control Commission	Margaret Facey, Chairman	1997
	John Skumin	1998
	Arthur J. Moody	1999
Shade Tree Commission	Susan W. Erwin, Chairman	1998
	Ann C. McDermott	1997
	Virginia Raub	1999
Recreation Advisory Council	Edward Kotkowski, Chairman	1998
	Jeff Cullinane	1997
	L. Eleanor Dawson	1997
	Brian C. Warburton	1997
	Gary Bashline	1997
	Rita Graham	1998
	Donald J. Butler	1998
	Judith O'Donnell-Zinka	1998
	Laurie Dufour (Resigned)	1999
	Daragh B. Shannon	1999
	Michael O'Neil	1999
	James Patton	1999
	Jennifer Andreozzi	1999
Municipal Records Committee	James K. Hunt, Jr., Chairman; Dec. 31,	1995
	Gerald A. McConnell	1995
	Joan M. Hackett	1995
	Ansell W. Palmer	1996

	Helen D. Hobbs	1996
	Abbott E. Young	1997
	Elinor G. Yeaton	1997
Cable TV Advisory Committee	"Bill" Cross, Chairman	1999
	H. Stewart Gale (Resigned)	1997
	Paul E. Snook (Resigned)	1997
	Doug DeSilva	1997
	Thomas Andrews	1997
	William H. Sullivan	1998
	Richard W. Bateman	1999
	Arthur J. Moody (Selectman)	1997
	Michael T. Plouffe (Selectman)	1997
	John W. Donaldson, Consultant	
USS HAMPTON Welcoming Committee	Arthur J. Moody, Chairman	
	L. Robert Searle, Vice Chairman	
	Bonnie B. Searle, Clerk	
	Kenneth W. Malcolm	
	Katherin C. Pratt	
	Walter A. Connor	
	Theresa J. McGinnis	
	Douglas S. Aykroyd	
	Edward "Sandy" Buck, III	
	Robert B. Griffin	
	Karen M. Anderson, Secretary	

❖ APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMISSIONS AND DISTRICTS ❖

Rockingham Planning Commission	Peter B. Olney	April 1, 1997
	Warren T. Bambury	1998
	Brian C. Warburton (Resigned)	1998
Seacoast Metropolitan Planning Organization	Clifton J. Pratt	June 30, 1998
	Warren T. Bambury	1998
Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District (SRDD/53B & SRSWD 149-M)	Virginia Raub	May 15, 1996
Seacoast Shipyard Association	Kenneth W. Malcolm	Indefinite

❖ APPOINTED OFFICIALS ❖

Town Manager	James S. Barrington Appointed 11/12/96
Interim Town Manager	Thomas J. Gillick To 8/31/96
Administrative Assistant	Karen M. Anderson
Director of Accounting	John Q. Adams
Building Inspector/Health Officer	Donald H. Graves
Assistant Bldg. Inspector	Matthew Taylor
Assessor	Robert A. Estey
Deputy Assessor	Angela A. Boucher
Chief of Police	William L. Wrenn, Jr.
Fire Chief and Emerg. Management Dir.	William H. Sullivan
Deputy Fire Chief	Anthony B. Chouinard
Public Works Director	John R. Hangen
Operations Manager	Douglas R. Mellin
Recreation Director	Dyana Lassonde
Welfare Officer	Eileen Latimer
Town Counsel	
	ENGEL, GEARREALD & GARDNER -Mark S. Gearrcald, Esq.
	HOLMES & ELLS - Stephen G. Ells, Esq.
	LOUGHLIN & WADE - Peter J. Loughlin, Esq.; Briand T. Wade, Esq.
	SHAINES & McEACHERN - John H. McEachern, Esq.
	SHEEHAN, PHINNEY, BASS & GREEN -Thomas J. Flygare, Esq.;
	Reynold Perry, Negotiator

VILLAGE DISTRICT

Hampton Beach Village	Skip Windemiller, Jr.
District ("Precinct")	Robert J. O'Neill, Jr.
Commission	Thomas Higgins

HAMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN, 1996



Left to Right - Arthur J. Moody, Mary-Louise Woolsey, Brian Warburton; Back Row - Virginia Bridle, Michael Plouffe

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

1996 was a difficult but rewarding year, as we addressed the disarray left by previous Boards and the aftermath of a management situation gone sour.

On February 10, we perambulated the bounds with selectmen from North Hampton and Stratham. A report was turned in to the Secretary of State and the Town Clerk, with a signed document recording our mutual confirmation of the boundary markers.

In March, we welcomed Ginny Bridle and Mike Plouffe as newly elected selectmen. Mike won his seat after having served as selectman since December, 1995. We made a determined effort to work together as a Board, and to cooperate with the Interim Manager to achieve a balance - during the transition period between managers. Our goal was to reassure staff, and the public, getting day to day government back on track. Personal differences were put aside as we focused on the reality that the only decision more critical than removing an unsatisfactory manager is the hiring of his replacement.

We sincerely thank the staff, especially Administrative Assistant Karen Anderson and Finance Director John Adams for their efforts "above and beyond". They had borne the brunt of the internal management problems, and conducted themselves with the highest professional demeanor at all times. As the year progressed and the staff relaxed, we were more than rewarded for our confidence in them by the extraordinary effort they expended in assisting both the acting Manager and the Board.

We will always be grateful to the late Bob Tawney (Professional Recruitment Services, NHMA) and Attorney John McEachern, for their assistance all through the manager selection process. The final result could not have been achieved without them. Under their guidance we conducted a discreet, thorough, orderly search - which did not compromise the reputation of any of the fine candidates who applied. As the search progressed, we realized that the process was an important part of the end result, and this was the one activity that truly brought us together.

The defining moment of the year came on November 12, when we proudly introduced James S. Barrington as Hampton's new manager. Mr. Barrington, formerly of Neptune Beach, FL, became the 9th manager in the 42 years since we adopted the Town Meeting/Town Manager form of government in 1954. When we offered James the job, we assured him that we had in place an exceptionally qualified Town Office and Department Management staff, and lacked only a leader of professional stature. After conducting the most intensive pre-employment screening ever, we were not surprised when the first newspaper headlines referred to his "sterling reputation". We are confident that Mr. Barrington's administrative talents, character, and warm personality will reflect favorably on all of us in years to come. (We will NOT mention his ties!)

A glance at the cover of this Annual Report, which was graciously provided for us by Ben French, will demonstrate the event which was second only to hiring of the Manager - closure of our 33+ acres of municipal landfill AT LAST. Director of Public Works John Hangen, Underwood Engineers and BIG (Brown Industrial Group) are to be commended for completing a task that looked daunting, at best. We survived the blowing sand, heavy equipment, ballooning membranes and summer heat - to be rewarded by the new hills, covered with green grass, fenced and complete. Concrete pads have been installed for future exercise stations, and a gazebo on the southeastern end. We hope that former DPW Director George Hardardt would be as pleased as we are, and have dedicated the access road around the perimeter of the closed landfill as HARDARDT'S WAY. The final result is a credit to this community, and a tribute to George's tenacity over more than 20 years as he urged us to "do it". Since the opening of the access road in October, we have at last been able to divert all town and waste hauler traffic off Tide Mill Road, giving relief at last to that neighborhood. We also welcomed Brazonics, which now occupies the former Burgon Tool building, and as a side benefit approved the extension of a Northern Utilities natural gas line to service Brazonics and the residents.

In addition to her other duties, Director of Recreation & Parks, Dyana Lassonde has been helping to plan the best recreational usage of the virgin land adjacent to the closed landfill. The pad for the in-line skating facility was laid in the Fall, and this winter the ice skating rink will get a first test. The soccer field should be ready by Spring, 1997, and we hope to grade the slope off Landing Road as a safe sledding area for youngsters. Some members of the Board took one of the Chairman's 9 a.m. Saturday morning tours with Dyana and the Manager this Fall, and inspected all of the Park & Recreation facilities. Dyana has been encouraged to submit a warrant article in 1997, to fund the replacement of the deteriorated concession stand at Eaton Park, and possibly a second article to fund construction of another storage shed/concession stand at the landfill recreation area. We also made suggestions for trimming trees and grading fields.

At the beginning of August, the Town was host to the officers and crew of "our" submarine - the USS HAMPTON. The 1993 Commissioning Committee was reactivated as the Welcoming Committee, to arrange for the event, with the help of all town departments. The Board of Selectmen issued a Proclamation designating Sunday, August 4, 1996 as USS HAMPTON DAY. The officers, crew and residents enjoyed a lobster clambake, ceremonies, and sporting events on a beautiful day at Tuck Field. Business donations, as well as ticket and souvenir sales, funded the expenses. The Los Angeles Class sub was berthed at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, where over 450 Hampton citizens, who had reserved tickets, were given hour long tours of the various decks of the ship during the weekend. Crew members performed community service projects throughout their four-day stay. This "namesake city" visit of a major U.S. Navy ship was not only unprecedented in the long history of Hampton, but indeed, for any town in New Hampshire.

In addition to the "big" events, we continued to conduct the routine business of the town:

Approving - nursing home applications, cemetery deeds, dance hall, theater, coin operated amusement permits, tax warrants, tax abatements, tax liens and release of liens.

Consulting - with counsel on legal cases pending against the town, some going back ten years.

Settling - cases with the aid of counsel, some court appearances are required by members of the Board. The First NH/McKeon and the Casino Tax abatement cases were resolved.

Consulting - with engineers and DPW Director on the completion of sewer projects #27A South Woodland Road and #21 North Shore Road as well as with engineers on proposed Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades and bids for the Sun Valley sewer project.

Continued - negotiations with the Teamsters Union, and accepted requests from the five remaining Collective Bargaining units to initiate negotiations to replace current contracts which expire on March 31, 1997.

Accepted - the offer from the Moore/Lepore families to propose to the 1997 Town Meeting the purchase of their land off White's lane (Twelve Shares) for passive recreation and conservation purposes.

Offered - assistance on final placement of the playground to Ellen Galvin, Judy Ward, and their vigorous committee, who worked with great success to make KIDS KINGDOM a reality.

Requested - guidance from Attorney Ells and the Department of Revenue as to the proper handling of cemetery funds, resulting in all cemetery funds being in the Town Treasurer's accounts and not Cemetery Trustees accounts.

We all spend many extra hours, outside of routinely scheduled meetings, on Town business. But we acknowledge Mike Plouffe's special efforts, and the use of a great deal of his personal business time, while he worked to resolve the myriad of construction problems associated with the Woodland Road and North Shore Road sewer projects. He also aided John Hangen in the research and decision on the T-Block wall at the Transfer Station, which has worked out very well.

This summer, at the direction of the Board, Building Inspector Don

Graves initiated court action to force landlords to remove tenants from substandard rental housing units at the beach. Don was ably assisted by members of the Fire Department, Police Department and the Welfare Officer. We have made a commitment to an ongoing program to crack down on unsafe rental housing, and asked Don Graves to submit a request to the Planning Board to amend the occupancy code requirement to year round status. Don's appearances in court were very successful and we appreciate the interest shown by Judge Frasier. We intend to continue to send the message that degraded rental units potentially increase the use of our emergency services, increase the risk of fire, injury and disease, and overburden our welfare caseload.

Thanks to the Cable TV Advisory Committee, local access has become a reality, as Channel 58, with its Community Bulletin Board feature came on line in the summer. In September, we became the first Hampton Board of Selectmen to have our regular Monday night meetings televised live. The Planning Board meetings are also being televised, and in time, as volunteers are trained to operate the equipment, hopefully all Board meetings in the Selectmen's Meeting Room will be telecast to your homes.

The October 20 rain storm caused extensive damage, especially on Rte. 1-A, High Street, Winnacunnet Road and Drakeside Road. We have been working with state and federal agencies to obtain as much disaster funding as possible to pay for the repairs. We have authorized the replacement of the Eel Ditch culvert with a more adequate one. The Budget Committee and DRA were quick to approve our request to authorize overexpenditure of funds from the 1996 budget (if necessary).

We are grateful to Mr. Barrington, Town Office staff, Department Heads, other elected officials, clerical staff, members of boards and committees, and volunteers for their dedication and contributions to the quality of life in this community. Also, our sincere thanks to the citizens and taxpayers who have been generous with their suggestions, observations, and moral support.

A special thank you to our emergency service personnel - the thin blue/green line that protects and serves us all - often at the risk of their own health and safety.

A word of advice to future Boards - no one's best interest is served by selectmen who undercut, withhold information from, or refuse to cooperate with other members. Nothing matters - not "friendship", peer pressure, special interest groups, personal preferences - nothing matters but working together for the good of the Town.

It has been our privilege to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,
For the Board of Selectmen
Mary-Louise Woolsey, Chairman

HAMPTON TOWN MANAGER



MR. JAMES S. BARRINGTON

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

When looking back at 1996 in the Town of Hampton it is hard not to wonder if Charles Dickens didn't have a window into his future when he wrote, "It was the best of times. It was the worst of times." The year was one of great progress and one of great healing. It was a year in which efforts were made to manage growth within the town and clean up some of the areas that provided less than adequate shelter for human occupancy. It was a year of lawsuits and high legal expenses. It was a year of turmoil and internal strife. It was a year of restoring smiles and easing tensions.

The infrastructure continues to dominate the Town's agenda with sewer extensions and plant improvements behind and still ahead. With Sun Valley Sewer extension bids opened in late December, that project is slated for actual construction in 1997. The unprecedented floods of October created new priorities by washing out sections of Drakeside Road and Winnacunnet Road. Consequently funding for repairs became an issue needing prompt resolution, including permission to overspend the budget for the first time in over 20 years.

The closing of the landfill and the opening of the transfer station also opened the property to the development of a new recreation facility. During the winter, it is anticipated that a skating pond will be available, and in the spring facilities will be open for soccer, basketball, and in-line skating. The addition of the Campbell Farm property provides additional land to the Town for recreation and historical preservation.

As 1996 came to a close, the careers of several long-time employees ended in their retirement. As one of the new employees, I'm pleased to have this forum for one more chance to say "I'm glad to be here!" The first weeks of my tenure have been very enjoyable and educational. It is clear that tough decisions lie ahead, and the forging of productive working relationships gives us all goals for the future. While I have seldom known issues where everyone agrees, I have found that attacking the issues and giving them the full opportunity for hearing and discussion usually results in decisions being made in the best traditions of American democracy.

New Hampshire is new to me, but it is clearly a state filled with centuries of history rooted in the beliefs in democracy and the basic freedoms which are the cornerstone of our nation's government and heritage. Hampton is a town which is new to me, but it is a town filled with over 350 years of history, diversity, and progress. I ask all who read this annual report to join me in working toward a future in which all citizens of Hampton work together for the common good. Paraphrasing the words of the apostle Paul. .

**...Forgetting what is behind and
straining toward what is ahead, [let us]
press on toward the goal...**

Philippians 3:13-14

Respectfully,

James S. Barrington,
Town Manager

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MINUTES
MARCH 12, 1996**

Moderator John Walker opened the annual meeting of the Town of Hampton at 7 AM at the Uptown Fire Station. Paul Lessard moved to waive the reading of the warrant, seconded by Dennis Kilroy. There were no objections. The polls closed at 8 PM and the meeting was adjourned until Saturday, March 16, 1996 at 8:00 AM when articles 15 through 43 would be discussed. The number of voters were 2824 and the results of the voting were as follows:

ARTICLE 1

To choose by non-partisan ballot: One (1) Moderator for Two Years; Two (2) Selectmen for a three year term; One (1) Treasurer for a three year term; One (1) Cemetery Trustee for a three year term; One (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for a three year terms; One (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for Six Years; (2) Library Trustees for a three year term; Two (2) Planning Board Members for three year terms; Two (2) Zoning Board of Adjustment Members for a Three Years; Four (4) Budget Committee members for three year terms.

RESULTS OF THE ELECTION

MODERATOR

JOHN R. WALKER	2035*
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SELECTMEN

VIRGINIA B. BRIDLE	911*
LEE GAURON GRIFFIN	816
PATRICK HAYES	238
FRANCIS X. MCNEIL	67
PETER B. OLNEY	405
JASON PAGE	410
MICHAEL PLOUFFE, SR.	902*
WENDELL C. RING	318
BONNIE B. SEARLE	767
LEROY CHARLES THAYER	124

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ARTICLE 2

On petition of 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning map and zoning ordinance of the Town by extending the BUSINESS (B) use district easterly on High Street by rezoning to BUSINESS (B) use, all of that portion of the area along High Street presently zoned for RESIDENCE B (RB) use, lying westerly of the High Street Cemetery and westerly of Academy Avenue, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point 200 feet of the northerly side of High Street at the northerly projection of the westerly boundary line of land of the Advent Church, now of the Faith Community Church; thence running easterly by a line parallel to and 200 feet northerly of the northerly side of High Street to the High Street Cemetery; thence southerly by the High Street Cemetery to said High Street; thence southerly across said High Street to a point at the intersection of the southerly side of High Street and the westerly side of Academy Avenue; thence southerly along Academy Avenue a distance of 200 feet to a point; thence westerly along a line parallel to and 200 feet southerly of the southerly side of High St. to a point at the southerly projection of the westerly boundary line of said Church; thence turning and running northerly along said line and the southerly and northerly projection thereof, to the point of beginning.

Not Recommended by the Planning Board

YES: 527

NO: 1845

ARTICLE TWO FAILED

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of a Citizen's Petition proposed by 25 or more registered voters of Hampton to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

GROWTH MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF HAMPTON

Authority: This ordinance is enacted under the authority granted the local legislative body pursuant to Chapter 674:22, NH Revised Statutes Annotated, and in conjunction with the Town of Hampton's Master Plan and the Capital Improvements Plan.

Purpose: This Ordinance is enacted in general to guide and ensure the orderly development of land within the Town of Hampton; to promote and enhance the public health, safety and welfare of its resident; and for the following specific purposes: (RSA 674:16, II)

1. To manage growth within a framework that ensures compatibility with 1984 Town of Hampton Master Plan, as amended on 3/1/89 and supplemented in 1995, (hereafter called the Master Plan) and the 1995 Capital Improvements Program (hereafter called the CIP), as now or hereafter amended.
2. To permit the Town of Hampton to review and revise as needed the Subdivision Regulations, Site Plan Regulations, Zoning Ordinance, The Master Plan, the CIP and such other regulations and plans currently in existence or enacted in the future as deemed to be necessary so that the town may effectively manage its growth.
3. To prevent approvals of new development which may be "premature" (within the context of the Town of Hampton Subdivision Regulations, Section I, and Chapter 674:36, NH Revised Statutes Annotated) and thus incompatible with the Master Plan and growth management process.
4. To permit and encourage informed public debate on desired Subdivision Regulations and Zoning Ordinance provisions, along with such amendments as may be required to accomplish that purpose.
5. To ensure, for the present and future residents of the Town of Hampton, that adequate essential municipal services are available. Further, that such essential services including (but not necessarily limited to) education, public safety, the transportation infrastructure, water and sewer, shall be integrated within an orderly process for the anticipation and funding of sufficient capacity and characteristics to accommodate the impact of new development.¹

PENDING APPLICATION

The provisions of the Ordinance shall not apply to any plan or application for which jurisdiction has been taken by the Planning Board prior to the first legal notice of the first public hearing on this proposed Ordinance.

ENACTMENT

Effective upon the legal posting of this Ordinance, the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board, or Zoning Board of Adjustment shall not formally accept any subdivision or site plan applications for single family housing, two-family housing, multi-family housing, presite built housing, manufactured housing, or condominiums proposed pursuant to the New Hampshire Condominium Act,

¹ See: Appendix, "Finding of Fact"

RSA 356-B1 to RSA 356-B69, or for the subdivision of land for residential purposes, until April 1, 1996. For the purpose of this regulation, multi-family is defined as: any building or group of buildings on a single lot containing three (3) or more dwelling units. This regulation shall apply to any subdivision or site plan applications for single family housing, presite built housing, manufactured home parks, or for any subdivision of land for residential purposed on any land located within the Town of Hampton formally accepted by the Planning Board after the posting date of this regulation.

In the event of demolition and reconstruction of a dwelling unit, said building may be rebuilt to its former use provided the new construction conforms to the dimensional requirements of the Zoning Ordinance and to the Construction Provisions and regulations of the Town of Hampton as amended.

APPLICATIONS

Effective upon passage, applications for building permits shall be acted upon in the month following receipt. For the purposes of this section, each dwelling² unit represented by the application shall be equal to one point.

If the applications received represent a number of points (i.e. . dwelling units) equal to or less than the allocation for that month, building permits shall be issued by the Building Inspector. The basic allocation for each month is six (6) dwelling units, except as here after provided under "Carryover."

If the applications received represent a number of dwelling units in excess of the allocation for that month, those eligible for building permits shall be determined by a random drawing³ from all applications received and/or "carried over", subject to the following limitations:

In order to assure equitable distribution of available permits, no single individual, partnership, corporation or other entity shall submit applications and/or received permits for more than three (3) dwelling units in any one month nor more than nine (9) dwelling units in twelve consecutive months.

The number of building permits issued for construction within one subdivision shall not exceed the limits set forth above, regardless of whether applications are submitted by developer for "'spec' houses," so called, or from individual owners of record of lots within the same subdivision.

No building permit secured through this process may be transferred to another individual, partnership, corporation or other entity.

² As defined in Hampton's Zoning Ordinance

³ See: Appendix, "Procedure for Random Drawing".

The drawing shall be conducted no later than the fifth (5th) working day of the month following application.

Regulations for conducting the drawing process shall be drawn up administratively and subject to approval by the Board of Selectmen before implementation.

CARRYOVER

Applications not selected shall carry over to the next drawing.
Unallocated dwelling units shall carry over to the next month.

In the event that less than seventy-two (72) dwelling unit permits have been issued by December 31 (or less than fifty-four (54) permits for the period of April 1 through December 31, 1996), the number of unissued permits shall be added to the allowable number for the succeeding year. Provided, however, that in no event will the number of permits issued in a calendar year exceed 110% of 72 dwelling units.

EXPIRATION

This Ordinance shall remain in effect until such time as municipal services are adequate to meet the needs of the Town. The Board of Selectmen shall annually appoint a three (3) member Oversight Board to assess such adequacy.

The Oversight Board will categorize the needs and objectives of the Town in the context of the Master Plan and the CIP shall report its findings and recommendations to the Planning Board not later than October 1 of each year.

This annual reexamination is specifically focused on the relaxation and eventual expiration of the Ordinance. The Town of Hampton may repeal (in whole or in part) this regulation after appropriate public hearings and if, in its judgment, the unusual circumstances prompting its enactment no longer apply.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

I. Appeals to the Board of Adjustment concerning any matter within the board's powers as set forth in RSA 674:33 may be taken by any person aggrieved or by any officer, department, board, or bureau of the municipality affected by any decision of the administrative officer. Such appeal shall be taken within 20 days of a decision by the Planning Board or Administrative Officer as provided by the rules of the board, by filing with the officer from whom the appeal is taken and with the board a notice of appeal specifying the grounds thereof.

The officer from whom the appeal is taken shall forthwith transmit to the Board of Adjustment all the papers constituting the record upon which the action appealed from was taken.

II. for the purposes of this section:

(a) The "Administrative Officer" means any official or board who, in that municipality, has responsibility for issuing permits or certificates under the Ordinance, or for enforcing the Ordinance, and may include a building inspector, Board of Selectmen, or other official or board with such responsibility.

(b) A decision of the administrative officer includes any decision involving construction, interpretation or application of the terms of the ordinance. It does not include a discretionary decision to commence formal or informal enforcement proceedings, but does include any construction, interpretation or application of the terms of the ordinance which is implicated in such enforcement proceedings.

III. If, in the exercise of subdivision or site plan review, the Planning Board makes any decision or determination which the board states is based solely upon the terms of the Zoning Ordinance, or upon any construction, interpretation or application of the Zoning Ordinance, which would be appealable to the Board of Adjustment if it has been made by the administrative officer, then such decision may be appealed to the Board of Adjustment under this section.

CONFLICTS

Where any provision of this regulation imposes restrictions different from those imposed by any other provision of ordinances of the Town of Hampton, or any other rule or regulation or other provision of law, whichever provision is more restrictive or imposes higher standards shall control.

SEPARABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is adjudged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this regulation or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances.

AMENDMENTS

This Ordinance may be amended by the Town of Hampton after a public hearing on said amendments in accordance with procedures set forth in RSA 674:22.

EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this Ordinance shall be upon posting by the Hampton Planning Board.

(APPENDIX CONTAINING FINDINGS OF FACT AVAILABLE IN PLANNING BOARD OFFICE)

Recommended by the Planning Board

YES: 1961

NO: 511 ARTICLE 3 PASSED

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To modify the Growth Management Ordinance as proposed by Citizens Petition to make the following changes. (This revision will become null and void if the Growth Management Ordinance as proposed by Citizen Petition is not adopted.):

a. Insert a new section entitled ELDERLY HOUSING after the section entitled ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS to read as follows:

ELDERLY HOUSING

Elderly Housing, as defined in RSA 204-C:1, is excluded from this ordinance. Types of Elderly Housing to be absolved from this ordinance are: Group Shared Residence⁴, Supportive Agency-Sponsored Group Shared Residence⁵

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⁴ Group Shared Residence: shared housing structure where more than three unrelated people reside with at least one kitchen. They are not the stereotypical "group home", nor are they halfway houses for deinstitutionalized persons. Each resident has his or her own bedroom and share the rest of the living space in the house. Together, all residents make the decisions about the management of the house in most cases, and they share in the daily running of the house while pursuing their own individual lives outside the house. (There are two types of shared residences: (1) the agency-sponsored group shared residence that may or may not provide a sheltered or supportive environment and (2) the self-initiated group shared residence where individuals cooperatively purchase or rent a dwelling.

⁵ Supportive Agency-Sponsored Group Shared Residence: housing situation in which an agency owns or rents the home, and the residents pay rent to the agency. The agency offers a package of services included in the rental of space in the residence. Such services could include meal preparation, transportation, housekeeping, laundry service, shopping, and counseling. The residents may or may not have a voice in the management of the home and selection of future residents.

Congregate Housing⁶ , and Lifecare or Continuing Care Retirement Communities⁷ or any other Elderly Housing that the Planning Board considers appropriate to exclude, after a public hearing. (Definitions were taken from Home-Sharing and Other Lifestyle Options by Jo Horne and Leo Baldwin, an educational and public service project by the American Association of Retired Persons, AARP.

- b. Replace the existing section entitled APPLICATIONS and the corresponding Appendix, "Procedure for Random Drawing" with the following section:

APPLICATIONS

Effective upon passage of this ordinance, building permits for dwelling units within a subdivision shall be issued in order of receipt of applications, subject to the following provisions.

For purposes of allocation, each dwelling unit within a building shall be considered to have used one building permit.

Except as hereinafter provided, the total number of building permits issued in a twelve month period shall not exceed seventy-two (72).

The developer(s) of a subdivision may apply for building permits for up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the dwelling units within the project, not to exceed a limit of six in one month nor nine in a period of twelve consecutive months.

⁶ Congregate Housing (also called sheltered or "enriched" housing): multi-unit structure where residents usually live in their own apartments and come to a common area for some or all of their meals. Usually there are supportive services such as housekeeping, transportation, and social or recreational activities.

⁷ Lifecare of Continuing Care Retirement Communities: planned communities offering a range of choices for residents under a contractual arrangement, possibly including independent living units, assisted or personal care living units, and long-term care. Residents may move from one level of accommodation to another as their needs change. Residents may be required to pay a substantial entry fee plus a monthly payment calculated to provide the wide range of services throughout the resident's life.

The number of building permits issued for construction within one subdivision shall not exceed the limits set forth above, regardless of whether applications are submitted by developer for " 'spec' houses," so called, or from individual owners of record of lots within the same subdivision.

c. Delete the first paragraph of the section entitled “CARRYOVER”

NO: 709

ARTICLE 4 PASSED

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

“3.5 Retail Sales.

AND

“Retail Sales: Establishments engaged in selling goods or merchandise to the general public for personal or household consumption and rendering services incidental to the sales of such goods.”

NO: 663

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ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 2.4 - Special Flood Hazard Area, by amending Article 2.4.3 - Definitions, to delete the definition numbering system (e.g., 2.4.3-A. through 2.4.3-Q.), reorganize the definitions into alphabetical order, and add the following new definitions:

“Breakaway wall” means a wall that is not part of the structural support of the building and is intended through its design and construction to collapse under specific lateral loading forces without causing damage to the elevated portion of the building or supporting foundation.

“FEMA” means the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

“Flood” or “Flooding” means a general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from: (1) the overflow of inland or tidal waters, and (2) the unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source.

“Flood Boundary and Floodway Map” (Floodway Map) is an official map of the Town of Hampton, on which FEMA has delineated the “Regulatory Floodway”. This map should not be used to determine the correct flood hazard zone or base flood elevation, the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) will be used to make determinations of flood hazard zones and base flood elevations.

“Flood Elevation Study” means an examination, evaluation, and determination of flood hazards and if appropriate, corresponding water surface elevations, or an examination and determination of mudslide or flood-related erosion hazards.

“Flood Insurance Study” - see “Flood elevation study”.

“Flood proofing” means any combination of structural and non-structural additions, changes, or adjustments to structures which reduce or eliminate flood damage to real estate or improved real property, water and sanitation facilities, structures and their contents.

“Floodway” - see “Regulatory Floodway”.

“Highest adjacent grade” means the highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to the proposed walls of a structure.

“Historic Structure” means any structure that is:

- (a) Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places (a listing maintained by the Department of Interior) or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as meeting the requirements for individual listing on the National Register;
- (b) Certified or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as contributing to the historical significance of a registered historic district;
- (c) Individually listed on a state inventory of historic preservation programs which have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior;
- (d) Individually listed on a local inventory of historic places in communities with historic preservation programs that have been certified either:
 - 1) By an approved state program as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, or
 - 2) Directly by the Secretary of the Interior in states without approved programs.

“Mean sea level” means the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) of 1929 or other datum, to which base flood elevations shown on a communities Flood Insurance Rate map are referenced.

“Special flood hazard area” means an area having flood, mudslide, and/or flood-related erosion hazards, and shown on an FHBM or FIRM as zone A, AO, A1-30, AE, A99, AH, VO, V1-30, VE, V, M, or E. (See-“Area of Special Flood Hazard”)

“Substantial damage” means damage of any origin sustained by a structure whereby the cost of restoring the structure to its before damaged condition would equal or exceed 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred.” AND

Amend Article 11.6 Floodplain Development Regulations, by adding a new Article 11.6.6a to read as follows:

“11.6.6a Along watercourses that have not had a Regulatory Floodway designated, no new construction, substantial improvements, or other development (including fill) shall be permitted within zones A1-30 and AE on the FIRM, unless it is demonstrated by the applicant that the cumulative effect on the proposed development, when combined with all existing and anticipated development, will not increase the water surface elevation of the base flood more than one foot at any point within the community.”

YES: 1559

NO: 544

ARTICLE 6 PASSED

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article X - BUILDING PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS by making the following changes:

Amend Article 10.1 (1st paragraph) to read as follows:

“10.1 No person shall undertake any excavation, construction or alteration in connection with any provisions of this ordinance until a written permit for such activity has been secured from the Building Inspector. A permit shall not be required in the case of repairs unless such repairs include alteration or new construction in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).”

Amend Article 10.1.1 to read as follows:

“10.1.1 A detailed plan of all proposed work shall be submitted with the application. Plans to include architectural elevations of proposed work, floor plans, and a plot plan.”

Amend the second sentence of Article 10.1.4 to increase the minimum threshold of construction costs for requiring a building permit from \$100.00 to \$500.00.

YES: 1544

NO: 670

ARTICLE 7 PASSED

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 3.28 to add “landscape materials” as a permitted use in the B, BS, and I and G districts to read as follows:

“3.28 Coal, coke, wood, building materials, yards and landscape materials storage and sales.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	P	P	P	P”

YES: 1261

NO: 692

ARTICLE 8 PASSED

ARTICLE 9

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article IV, DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS, by adding a new footnote #9 to read as follows:

- “(9) In cases where properties are non-conforming by reason of any or all of the provisions of this article, an addition or expansion which otherwise meets the provisions of 4.4 through 4.8 inclusive, shall be permitted without variance. This provision shall not apply to properties deemed to be non-conforming, in whole or in part, by reason of Article III, USE REGULATIONS.”

YES: 1275

NO: 708

ARTICLE 9 PASSED

ARTICLE 10

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 1.4 - Board of Adjustment, by making the following changes:

Replace the existing Article 1.4 with the following:

- “1.4 Board of Adjustment: The Board of Adjustment shall consist of five members. The members shall be elected in the manner prescribed by RSA 669, as amended. The terms of members shall be in accordance with RSA 673:3 and RSA 673:5, II, as amended. Up to three alternate members may be appointed by the Board of Adjustment. In addition to the general powers granted to the Board of Adjustment by RSA 674:33, as amended, the Board may:”

Move the existing Article 1.4.3 up to Article 1.4.2 (which was deleted in 1991) and insert a new Article 1.4.3 to read as follows:

- “1.4.3 Hear all building code appeals.”

YES: 1469

NO: 521

ARTICLE 10 PASSED

ARTICLE 11

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III -USE REGULATIONS by amending Article 3.37 to prohibit dwelling units in businesses in the Industrial District and permit only one single-family residence/business arrangement per lot in the Business District, so that it reads as follows:

“3.37 Dwelling units used as a principal place of residence of the owner or proprietor and from which a business not otherwise prohibited is conducted by the owner or proprietor.*

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	P	P	X	P

*(Amended 1981)

3.37.1 In the B District, only one single-family residence/business arrangement described in 3.37 shall be permitted per lot of record.”

YES: 1324

NO: 708

ARTICLE 11 PASSED

ARTICLE 12

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article I - GENERAL by inserting a new Article 1.4.4 which reads as follows:

“1.4.4 Any property owner(s) granted a variance shall have a period of two years from the date of said grant to implement the terms of the variance, either by evidence of a use change or substantial (i.e., at least 20%) construction/alteration/renovation. Failure to do so shall result in the grant becoming null and void, unless the owner(s) apply(ies) for a one year extension. Such an application shall be subject to the same requirements as any other petition for a variance and shall be filed at least one month prior to the month of expiration.

Current owners of property upon which there is a variance not yet implemented shall have a period of two years from the date of passage

of this provision to comply with the same terms set forth above for a new variance. Failure to do so shall result in the grant becoming null and void, unless the owner(s) apply (ies) for a one year extension. Such application shall be subject to the same requirements as any other petition for a variance and shall be filed at least one month prior to the month of expiration.

In the case of a variance which is relied upon by the owner of property in subsequently obtaining subdivision or site plan approval, that variance shall expire on the expiration of the subdivision or site plan approval. Current owners of property upon which there is a variance not yet implemented shall have the shorter of two (2) years or the period specified in the terms of the site plan and/or subdivision approval, unless an extension is granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment for good cause shown."

YES: 1542

NO: 547

ARTICLE 12 PASSED

ARTICLE 13

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Board of Selectmen?

Amend Article 1.6 - Definitions, by replacing the existing definition of Frontage with the following:

"Frontage: The length of the lot bordering on and providing access to a Class V (or better) highway that has not been discontinued as an open highway and made subject to gates and bars by vote of the Town, or a street, as defined and as used in Title LXIV, Planning and Zoning, of the Revised Statutes Annotated, shown on a plat approved by the Planning Board. Footage requirements specified in Article IV, Dimensional Requirements, of this Ordinance shall be contiguous."

Recommended by the Planning Board

YES: 1610

NO: 501

ARTICLE 13 PASSED

ARTICLE 14

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town? (By Petition)

YES: 1916

NO: 660

ARTICLE 14 PASSED

TOWN OF HAMPTON TOWN MEETING

The postponed session of the annual town meeting was convened at 8:30 am on March 16, 1996 in the Winnacunnet Gymnasium by Moderator John Walker. Reverend Duane Windemiller offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by David Lang. Moderator Walker asked the assembly for a moment of silence in memory of our departed friends.

Officials introduced by John Walker were Selectmen Paul L. Powell, Arthur J. Moody, Mary-Louise Woolsey, Brian C. Warburton, Michael T. Plouffe, Budget Committee Chairman and Selectman-elect Virginia Bridle, Interim Town Manager Thomas J. Gillick and Town Clerk Arleen Andreozzi. Also introduced were department heads, Chief William Sullivan of the Hampton Fire Department, Chief William Wrenn of the Police Department, Public Works Director John Hangen and Town Counsel Stephen Ells.

Brian Lacey moved to waive the reading of the warrant in its entirety. Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey. The motion was approved and Moderator Walker stated he would read each article in turn.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,350,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, permit applications, land acquisitions, and/or easements and for the construction of sewerage facilities recommended in the Town's 201 facilities Planning Study for the Sun Valley Area Sewers, requirements which are contained in the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), and will qualify the Town for Federal and State Funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds and Notes not to exceed \$1,350,000 under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of Hampton; additionally to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486:14 established for this purpose, and to allow the selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal and State governments and pass any vote relating thereto. Any income derived from temporary investment of the bond proceeds shall be returned to the General Fund.

(Note: The bonding and expenditure will be less if Sun Valley is allowed to tie into the Seabrook sanitary sewer system.)

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey

Seconded by Michael Plouffe

Jeffrey Clifford from Underwood Engineers was present to explain the technical aspects of the sewer construction and the federal and state funding process. After a short period of questions and answers Ansel Palmer moved to put the question to a vote. Seconded by Brian Lacey. The motion was approved by a 2/3 hand vote.

The moderator explained the voting procedure and that the article required a 2/3 ballot vote and stated that the polls would remain open for one hour beginning at 9:05 am. The polls were closed at 10:05 am.

YES: 162

NO: 95

ARTICLE 15 failed to get the required 2/3 vote

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an amount up to \$162,400 to be used to exercise an existing purchase option to acquire 14.4 +/- acres of land and the buildings located on Towle Farm Road, known as the Campbell Farm shown on Hampton Tax Map 129 Lot 26. The intent is to use this land for town recreation and conservation purposes. Such sum to be raised by the issuance of bonds or notes for a three year period under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Paul Powell; Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey

Ansel Palmer, representing the Historical Society, described the area and its location adjacent to the James House. He spoke about the opportunity for Hampton to procure this land for future conservation and recreation areas for the town.

The Moderator explained the procedures for voting on a bond issue and declared the polls open at 9:30. At 10:30 he declared the polls closed and announced the total vote.

YES: 224

NO: 52

Article 16 passed.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$115,000 for the purchase of one ambulance. Such sum to be financed through the issuance of a bond or note for a period of three years under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee at \$100,000

Moved by Brian Warburton; Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey

Selectmen Woolsey moved to amend Article 17 by lowering the Selectmen's recommended amount by \$15,000 to equal the amount recommended by the Budget Committee. Seconded by Brian Warburton. The Woolsey Amendment passed.

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved to vote on Article 17 as amended. Seconded by Brian Warburton. Passed by 2/3 vote.

Moderator Walker clearly delineated the procedure he would use for voting and that they would remain open for one hour. He explained the total amount for the article was now set at \$100,000, the amount as recommended by the Budget Committee. At 11:10 he stated that the polls were closed and announced the results.

YES: 244

NO: 31

Article 17 passed.

John Skumin moved to restrict reconsideration on Articles 16 and 17. Seconded by William Sullivan. So voted, the Moderator declared Articles 16 & 17 restricted to further reconsideration.

At this time Selectman Arthur Moody presented to outgoing Selectman Paul Powell a "Selectmen's badge" desk ornament on behalf of the Board of Selectmen for his six years of service to the Town of Hampton.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Budget as submitted by the Municipal Budget Committee and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,907,822.00.

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Budget Committee Chairman Virginia Bridle; Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

John Skumin moved to amend Article 18 by adding \$562,400 for the purpose of completing the amount necessary to construct the Sun Valley sewer project; Account #4326-Sewage Collection and Disposal. Seconded by Brian Lacey.

Kenneth Bouchard moved to put the amendment to a vote without further discussion, seconded by Brian Lacey. Motion passed by 2/3 hand vote.

The Skumin Amendment passed bringing the total budget amount to \$14,470,222.

Brian Lacey moved to amend line 4220 and restore \$5,000.00 to the operating budget to replace vehicles in the Fire Department, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey. Chief Sullivan spoke about the need to replace the current vehicles. The Lacey Amendment passed making the total operating budget \$14,475,222.

Keith Lessard offered the following amendment to Article 18 "To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$65,000 for the pupose of updating signals at the intersection of Lafayette Road, High Street and Exeter Road. (US Route 1 and Route 27), to include per traffic engineering study: new signals (12" heads), new strain poles, lighting, new base mounted control unit, 9 ground loop detectors, radio operation, and the necessary pavement overlay." The spirit of the proposal is to provide safety from 'blind and uncontrolled: left turns from all directions. Seconded by Edward Buck. After some discussion Brian Lacey moved to cut off debate on the amendment, seconded by Edward Buck. Passed by 2/3 vote. The Lessard Amendment passed.

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved to vote on the operating budget as amended. Seconded by Brian Warburton. So moved.

The Moderator announced that the amended amount of Article 18 was \$14,540,227 and that a yes/no vote was requested by the following five voters: Bonnie B. Searle, L. Robert Searle, Sharron Plouffe, Robert D. Wallace and Donald E. Tilbury.

YES: 228

NO: 68

Article 18 passed

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 18, seconded by Sharleene Hurst. The motion passed and the Moderator declared Article 18 restricted.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town of Hampton will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,000 for the purpose of playground improvements at the beach playground as recommended by the Capital Improvements Program. This money would be in addition to the \$44,000 contributed by the Precinct to the project. The amount would be further reduced by the amount of the Parking Lot Revenues Warrant article if passed. All work to be completed by May 24th. (By Petition)

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey; Seconded by Brian Warburton.

"Skip" Windemiller spoke about the necessity of completing renovations to the playground area. The Budget Committee stated that they approved the article as part of the Capital Imporvement Plan. Arthur Moody explained the Selectmen's reasons for not recommending it were that the Village District

maintains its own areas out of a separate tax rate and that the playground is on State owned land and is covered under the “promotional” portion of the precinct taxes raised.

After additional discussion David Lang moved, with a second by Brian Lacey to put the question to a vote. The assembly agreed by a 2/3 vote. A yes/no vote was requested by Grace Hickley, Sharron Plouffe, Bonnie B. Searle, L. Robert Searle, Arthur Moody and Mary-Louise Woolsey.

YES: 185

NO: 102

Article 19 passed.

Virginia Bridle moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 19, seconded by Carolyn Payzant. The motion was passed and Article 19 was declared restricted.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Thirty-five thousand seven hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$35,775) for the purpose of digitizing the town tax maps and the purchase of an ArcView printer. This is the first installment of a four year program totaling approximately \$125,000.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Michael Plouffe, Seconded by Brian Warburton.

Mary-Louise Woolsey offered an amendment to clarify the wording by deleting “an Arc View printer” and adding “Arc View software and plotter”. The need for the equipment and the technical abilities of the software were explained to the assembly and after some additional comments Keith Lessard moved to end discussion on Article 20, seconded by Edward Buck. The motion passed by 2/3 vote.

The following voters requests a yes/no ballot: Bonnie B. Searle, L. Robert Searle, Paul Corbett, Donald E. Tilbury, Sharron Plouffe and Robert W. Wallace.

YES: 213

NO: 45

Article 20 passed

ARTICLE 21

On the petition of the non-profit citizen's group, Kid's Kingdom Committee and at least 25 legal voters: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 for the purpose of supplementing privately raised funds to design and construct a community park and playground to be located within the boundaries of the Town of Hampton.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Ellen Galvin, seconded by Kenneth Malcolm.

Ellen Galvin explained the project and the benefits it would bring to everyone in Hampton. Additional comments were offered. Francis McNeil moved to bring Article 21 to a vote, seconded by James Tierney. The motion passed.

The Moderator received two separate requests for a yes/no ballot.

YES: 180

NO: 53

Article 21 passed.

ARTICLE 22

On petition of William O'Donnell, 32 Ocean Drive, Hampton, NH and at least 24 other registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$27,000 for the purchase of a surf rake to be used for the cleaning of those beach areas not regularly cleaned by the State and to apply for and expend any State, Federal or private funds which may be available to offset any or all of the amount so raised.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Not recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Kenneth Bouchard, seconded by Brian Warburton.

Kenneth Bouchard moved to indefinitely postpone Article 22, seconded by Brian Warburton.

Article 22 was indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate-only the sum of \$18,100 to be deposited in the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund, the interest from which will be withdrawn annually and deposited into the Town's General Fund as an offset to the amount appropriated for the maintenance of the cemeteries. This appropriation will not effect the 1996 Town Tax Rate.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Arthur Moody, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey

Arthur Moody moved to amend the article to correspond with the auditors recommendations at the annual audit figures by adding \$175.00 making the total \$18,275.00. Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey. The amendment passed.

Article 23 passed.

ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate-only \$25,769.33 from the undesignated fund balance in order to pay off loan interest expenses from the construction phase of the sewerage projects in the \$2.7 Million bond issue so

that the Town will not be paying interest on that interest over the twenty-year period of the formal bonding agreement. This amount will not be placed on the 1996 Tax Rate by way of this appropriate-only vote.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey, seconded by Michael Plouffe.

Article 24 passed.

Edward Buck moved to restrict reconsideration of Articles 20, 21, 23 & 24; seconded by Carolyn Payzant. Motion passed and those articles were restricted.

ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of developing public access computer and Internet services at the Lane Memorial Library. (By Petition)

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Gerald McConnell, Seconded by Keith Lessard.

Gerald McConnell spoke about the benefits of having access to the Internet. Additional comments were offered and questions were answered. Gerald McConnell moved to put the article to a vote, seconded by Dan Gangai. The motion passed.

Article 25 passed.

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$17,000 and to appropriate-only from special revenue an additional \$13,000 to carry out culvert/inlet projects as a saltmarsh restoration program on Drakeside Road (\$26,000) and at two (\$4,000) sites along the railroad right-of-way south of the Routes 1-101 Interchange, east of Route 1. Involved in the program are the Conservation Commission, the Department of Public Works, Beachview Realty Trust and the New Hampshire Coastal Matching Grants Program. The \$17,000 raised and appropriated will be offset by any further non-tax revenue received from the Coastal Grant to the maximum \$15,000 applied for on a 50-50 basis. Any such amount received will, as revenue, offset the \$17,000 raised and appropriated, and, to that extent, will have no effect on the tax rate. Should the maximum amount of non-tax revenue be received, the net amount on the tax rate will be \$2,000.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Brian Warburton, seconded by Michael Plouffe.

Explanation of the article was given by the Conservation Commission Chairman Vivianne Marcotte. Keith Lessard moved to put the article to a vote.

The motion was seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey. The motion passed.

Article 26 passed.

ARTICLE 27

On petition of Ellen M. Lavin and 30 other registered voters of the Town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$13,500) for the salary of the Town Treasurer of the Town of Hampton.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Keith Lessard, seconded by Brian Warburton.

Article 27 passed.

John Payzant moved, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey to restrict reconsideration of Articles 25, 26 and 27. The motion passed.

ARTICLE 28

On petition of Richard Gibbons, 102 Mace Road, Hampton, NH and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: to see if the Town will vote to support the Hampton Christmas Parade and related activities and raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand, five hundred (\$2,500.00) to help defray the expense of the 1996 events. Said funds to be paid to the Hampton Beach Area Chamber of Commerce.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Brian Lacey, seconded by Ansel Palmer

Article 28 passed.

ARTICLE 29

On petition of Catherine Hafner and others, to see if the Town of Hampton will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the support of Coastal Employment Associates, Inc. Coastal Employment operates a vocational day program for disabled people. It is our responsibility to help find employment and integrate these individuals into the community.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Brian Lacey, seconded by Virginia Bridle

Article 29 passed

ARTICLE 30

Upon petition of Kenneth W. Malcolm and others, request the town raise and appropriate \$450.00 to purchase three (3) Planetarium Library passes. These passes will be held by the Lane Library and loaned to Hampton residents in the same order and procedure used in loaning books and/or videos.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Kenneth Malcolm, seconded by Brian Warburton.

Kenneth Malcolm moved to amend the wording in Article 30 by inserting the words "Christa McAuliffe" immediately prior to Planetarium so that it will read Christa McAuliffe Planetarium Library passes.

Article 30 passed as amended.

John Payzant moved to restrict reconsideration of Articles 28, 29 and 30; seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey. The motion passed.

ARTICLE 31

On petition of Susanne Falzone, and twenty-five or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to authorize and direct the Selectmen to exchange certain Town owned real estate located on the northerly side of Park Avenue for real estate owned and/or leased by the Hampton Historical Society (Society) and located on the northerly side of Park Avenue. The respective parcels of real estate are illustrated and described on a plan of the land prepared by Richard P. Millette and Associates and dated 12/7/95. The real estate to be conveyed to the Society consists of the real estate under and around the Tuck Museum buildings and the adjoining "Old Academy Lot", and the real estate to be conveyed to the Town consists of all of the land leased and owned by the Society located outside the "loop road" around the Tuck Museum buildings and the road itself. The conveyance to the Society shall be subject to a condition that land shall revert to the Town in the event it is ever conveyed to a third party or ceases to be used for preserving the history of the Town, and also subject to the condition that no freestanding buildings shall be placed on the "Old Academy Lot". The purpose of this exchange is to clean up lot lines, document ownership, and give the Town full ownership and control of the roadway.

Moved by Paul Powell, seconded by Brian Warburton

Paul Powell gave an overview of the Hampton Historical Society membership and the many works undertaken for the Town of Hampton. Betty Moore spoke on behalf of the Hampton Historical Society and explained the areas involved in the exchange and the benefits it would provide. A motion to end discussion was made and the moderator stated he would entertain it as soon as two residents who had indicated they would like to speak were heard.

Arthur Moody illustrated the necessity of keeping the site of the First Meeting House in Hampton under town ownership and moved to substitute Article 32 for Article 31 and work out an agreement between the Town and the Historical Society. He also cautioned building on the Academy Lot because of deed restrictions and the difficulty of enforcing them. Moderator Walker denied the motion made by Mr. Moody on the grounds that it changed the article

substantially enough so that it would no longer be that which was warned to the public. The motion to move the question was defeated.

Attorney Briand Wade from Loughlin and Wade reviewed the limitations of deed restrictions, defined the terms involved and the possible effects of a court ruling. He then answered questions. Additional comments and questions were heard by the assembly and then Paul Corbett moved to vote on the question, seconded by Dan Gangai. This motion received a 2/3 vote of approval.

Five votes requested a yes/no ballot: Bonnie B. Searle, L. Robert Searle, Arthur Moody, Mary-Louise Woolsey, Grace Hickley and Sharron Plouffe.

YES: 176

NO: 22

Article 31 passed.

Carolyn Payzant moved to take Article 33 at this time because the ongoing voting on Article 31 will have a determination in addressing Article 32. Seconded by Brian Warburton. The Payzant motion passed.

ARTICLE 33

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Cemetery Trustees to withdraw a sum of money from the Cemetery Burial Ground Fund for the purchase of new Cemetery truck. This will have no effect on the 1996 tax rate. (By Petition)

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Not recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Ashton Norton, seconded by James Tierney.

Arthur Moody stated that Article 33 is out of order because this money is being taken from funds to be used for the operation of the cemetery and only interest can be spent and that the principal must remain intact. A truck for the cemetery is necessary and should be provided for, but from funds raised elsewhere.

Attorney Ells stated that traditionally only interest is used but Town Meeting has the authority to override this if they desire.

Keith Lessard moved to amend the article by adding the words "not to exceed \$15,000 after "truck", seconded by James Tierney. Ashton Norton asked for an increase in the amount to \$25,000 to enable the Cemetery Trustees to purchase a four wheel drive vehicle with a snowplow. Mr. Lessard agreed to increase the amount to \$25,000. The Second agreed also. The Lessard Amendment passed.

Article 33 passed as amended.

ARTICLE 32

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant an easement or lease to the Hampton Historical Society, Inc., for use of certain real estate under and around the Tuck Museum buildings and to accept from the Hampton Historical Society, Inc., an easement, lease or deed for other property located on the northerly side of Park Avenue to be used for public purposes. The parcels of real-estate referred to herein are shown on an unrecorded plan of land prepared in 1995 by Richard Millette and Associates.

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey to indefinitely postpone, seconded by Brian Warburton.

Article 32 postponed.

Carolyn Payzant moved to restrict reconsideration of Articles 31, 31 & 33; seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey. The motion passed and the articles were restricted.

Article 34 was taken after Article 41 because the action of Article 41 will be a determining factor in the passage of Article 34.

ARTICLE 35

To see if the Town will vote to amend one aspect of the process in selling the traditional leased land at the beach, as defined by the Special Town Meeting of December 8, 1983, and as authorized by the Special Town Meeting of May 11, 1982, to change the maximum amount of the purchase price that will be financed by the Town from one hundred percent to eighty percent. There still will be no down payment, per se, to the Town. This change will require some beginning equity from the mortgagor which, it is hoped, will reduce the Town's legal expense that is now being encountered from mortgage defaults by those who have little or no equity in their land purchases.

Moved by Arthur Moody, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Article 35 passed.

ARTICLE 36

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 6 of the Warrant Article at the May 11, 1982, Special Town Meeting on the sale/lease of the traditional leased-land lots at the beach to the extent that the maximum term of any lease on said lots shall be twenty years to correspond to the maximum term in Section 4 for any Town-financed first-mortgage sale. The current maximum term for such leases is twenty-five years.

Moved by Arthur Moody, seconded by Michael Plouffe.

Article 36 passed.

ARTICLE 37

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 6 of the 1982 Leased Land Sales Program, as authorized by the Special Town Meeting of May 11, 1982, to allow for the leased land rent amount for all new and renewal leases of the approximately 70 lots which have not been purchased to be 2% of the previous year's assessed value of the land, due annually by April 1st for the calendar year.

Moved by Arthur Moody, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Article 37 passed.

ARTICLE 38

To see if the Town will vote to delegate to the Board of Selectmen the authority to accept, after a public hearing, the public dedication of a street that corresponds in its location and lines with a street shown on a subdivision or street plat approved by the Planning Board, provided that such street has been constructed to applicable Town standards and specifications, including drainage requirements, if necessary, as determined by the Board of Selectmen or its agent, and provided that a properly drawn and executed deed to the Town has been received. This delegation of authority shall remain in effect until rescinded by majority vote at an Annual or Special Town Meeting that has been duly warned of such proposed rescission. (Legal authority: RSA 674:40-a)

Moved by Michael Plouffe, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Article 38 passed.

ARTICLE 39

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to Neil and Lorice Moore two parcels of land shown on Map 218 Lot 9 as listed below: Parcel "A" consisting of .203 acres and Parcel "B" consisting of .134 acres. Conveyance cost to be determined by the Assessor. (By Petition)

Moved by Neil Moore, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Mary-Louise Woolsey explained that this is a lot line adjustment to straighten out a property line at landfill site.

Moved by David Lang to vote on article, seconded by James Tierney. Motion passed by 2/3 vote.

Article 39 passed.

John Payzant moved, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey to restrict reconsideration on Articles 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39. The Payzant motion passed and the Moderator declared the above articles restricted.

ARTICLE 40

On petition of Jeff Houston and at least 24 other registered voters, to see if the Town will vote to transfer all of the Town's right, title and interest in and to the following parcel of land: Map 245, Lot 004, located at 575 Ocean Boulevard from the Town of Hampton to Jeff Houston. If approved, Jeff Houston will gift to the Town the entire marshland portion of said lot that is West of 91.62 feet of the lot line along the westerly sideline of Ocean Blvd., together with an easement running from the said marshland over other land of just Jeff Houston to Ocean Blvd. for the normal and customary purpose of providing access to and from the marshland. Said easement will be along the northerly lot line, having a uniform width of eight feet. The net transfer of land to Jeff Houston is approx. 1,959 square feet. The Town will incur no costs related to either transfer. The land will be transferred at a value of \$1,000.00

Moved by Jeff Houston , seconded by Vivianne Marcotte.

The parcel of land in question was shown to the voters and the benefits to both Mr. Houston and the Town of Hampton were explained.

Moved by Jason Page, seconded by Russell Bridle, to end discussion and vote on the article. The Page motion by a 2/3 vote.

Article 40 passed on a hand vote.

ARTICLE 41

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 20% of the gross lease and rental income from the town's parking areas located within the Hampton Village District to the purpose of town owned infrastructure within the Village District boundaries. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the General Fund Accumulated Surplus. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3. VI. The infrastructure items will be determined by the Precinct Commissioners, Public Works Director and the Town Manager at budget time. The purpose of the first years fund shall be for proposed Playground improvements. (By Petition)

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Thomas Higgins, seconded by Virginia Bridle.

Thomas Higgins moved to amend the article by inserting "31.95 d" after 31.95c) which included the provisions for adoption. Seconded by Robert O'Neil. The Higgins Amendment passed.

Thomas Higgins moved to further amend the article by inserting "shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of revenue" after the general fund accumulated surplus. Seconded by Virginia Bridle. The Higgins Amendment passed.

Bonnie Searle offered an amendment to add "Selectmen" after Precinct Commissioners and before Public Works Director. Seconded by Virginia Bridle. The Searle Amendment failed.

Judith Dubois moved to vote on the article without further debate, seconded by Russell Bridle. The Dubois motion passed by 2/3 vote. A yes/no ballot is required on this article per RSA 31:95 (d) I a.

YES: 86

NO: 58

Article 41 passed.

ARTICLE 34

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the privatization of the Town parking lots, located between Great Boar's Head southerly to the Hampton River and which are run as a town business, to the highest bidder(s).

Moved by Jason Page to indefinitely postpone Article 34, seconded by Russell Bridle.

Article 34 was postponed indefinitely.

ARTICLE 42

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Heritage Commission in accordance with the provisions of RSA 673 and RSA 674, or take any other action relating thereto. (By Petition)

Moved by Peter Olney, seconded by Ansel Palmer.

Article 42 passed.

Virginia Bridle moved to restrict reconsideration on Articles 41, 34 and 42, seconded by Jason Page. The motion passed and the articles were restricted to further reconsideration.

ARTICLE 43

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint (3 or 5 or 7) citizens as members of the Heritage Commission pursuant to the provisions of RSA 673:4-a and 673:5, and to appoint not more than five additional citizens as alternate members, or take any other action relating thereto. (By Petition)

Moved by Peter Olney, seconded by Vivianne Marcotte.
Article 43 passed.

ARTICLE 44

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn by Edward Buck, seconded by Jason Page. The motion was passed and Moderator Walker declared the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Arleen E. Andreozzi
Town Clerk



Newly elected officials being sworn in at conclusion of Town Meeting. L to R: Ellen Tavin, Treasurer; Carolyn Payzant, Planning Board; Virginia Bridle, Selectman; Michael Plouffe, Selectman; Paul Corbett, Budget Committee

1996 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

FEBRUARY 20, 1996

PRESIDENT REPUBLICAN		PRESIDENT DEMOCRATIC		PRESIDENT LIBERTARIAN	
LAMAR ALEXANDER	648	WILLIE FELIX CARTER	0	HARRY BROWNIE	4
RICHARD P. BOSA	1	SAL CASAMASSIMA	0	IRWIN A. SCHIFF	5
PATRICK J. BUCHANAN	555	CARMEN C. CHIMENTO	14		
BILLY JOE CLEGG	0	BILL CLINTON	1118		
CHARLES E. COLLINS	0	BRUCE C. DANIELS	7		
GEORGIANA DOERSCHUCK	0	MICHAEL E. DASS	0		
BOB DOLE	914	ROBERT F. DRUCKER	2		
ROBERT K. DORNAN	15	JAMES D. GRIFFIN	5		
SUSAN DUCEY	4	TED L. GUNDERSON	3		
WILLIAM J. FLANAGAN	2	VINCENT S. HAMM	1		
STEVE FORBES	396	HEATHER ANNE HARDER	5		
RUSSELL J. FORNWALT	1	CAROLINE P. KILLEEN	5		
PHIL GRAMM	9	LYNDON H. LAROCHE	6		
JOHN B. HURD	0	FRANK LEGAS	0		
ALAN L. KEYES	45	STEPHEN MICHAEL	1		
MICHAEL S. LEVINSON	0	DAVID PAULING	1		
RICHARD G. LUGAR	153	PAT PAULSEN	16		
GERALD J. MCMANUS	0	JOHN SAFRAN	0		
HUBERT DAVID PATTY	0	RONALD W. SPANGLER	0		
TENNIE ROGERS	0	OSIE THORPE	2		
RICHARD D. SKILLEN	0	BEN J. TOMEIO	1		
MORRY TAYLOR	22				

STATE PRIMARY ELECTIONS SEPTEMBER 10, 1996

REPUBLICAN

GOVERNOR	BILL ZELIFF	779*
	RICHARD P BOSA	26
	OVIDE M LAMONTAGNE	542
	AL RUBEGA	45
	JAMES S TOMASZEWSKI SR	18
UNITED STATES SENATOR	BOB SMITH	1120*
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	GEORGE A LOVEJOY	31
	TONI PAPPAS	53
	JOHN E SUNUNU	511*
	RAYMOND J WIECZOREK	321
	VIVIAN CLARK	47
	TOM COLANTUONO	76
	JOE DEMINICO	8
	JACK HEATH	331
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR	RUTH L GRIFFIN	1090*
STATE SENATOR	JOHN T DOWD	977*
	SHARLEENE P HURST	408
STATE REPRESENTATIVES	ANDREW CHRISTIE JR	787*
	SHEILA T FRANCOEUR	813*
	KEN MALCOLM	865*
	JOHN R PAYZANT	741*
	LEROY CHARLES THAYER	832*
SHERIFF	WAYNE E VETTER	1100*
COUNTY ATTORNEY	MICHAEL F DICROCE	469
	JAMES M REAMS	636*
COUNTY TREASURER	DONALD M REDDEN	576*
	JOHN SYTEK	423

REGISTER OF DEEDS	CATHY STACEY	713*
	JOANNE E STUDEBAKER	352
REGISTER OF PROBATE	CHARLES K THAYER	1035*
COUNTY COMMISSIONER	PAUL L POWELL	755
	KATHARIN (KATE) PRATT	583*
DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION	THOMAS J GILLICK JR	914**
	SHARLEENE P HURST	795**
	ELIZABETH E POWELL	907**
	KATHARIN (KATE) PRATT	926**
	NORMA ST. GERMAIN	843**
	*Nominated **Elected	
DEMOCRATIC GOVERNOR	BRAIN WOODWORTH	80
	SID LOVETT	40
	JEANNE SHAHEEN	723*
UNITED STATES SENATOR	JOHN RAUH	433
	DICK SWETT	475*
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	JOE KEEFE	781*
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR	BILL VERGE	430*
	LOUIS GOSCINSKI	299
STATE SENATOR	BEVERLY A HOLLINGWORTH	822*
STATE REPRESENTATIVES	ROBERT R. CUSHING JR	496*
	ED DUNHAM	346*
	PATRICK S HAYES	432*
	JANE KELLEY	763*
	FRANCIS X MCNEIL	368
	WENDELL C RING	443*
SHERIFF	no democratic candidate	

COUNTY ATTORNEY	BILL HART	732*
	ELLEN M LAVIN	760*
REGISTER OF DEEDS	no democratic candidate	
REGISTER OF PROBATE	LESLIE DOLLEMAN	664*
COUNTY COMMISSIONER	ROBIN WALKER	660*

LIBERTARIAN

GOVERNOR	ROBERT KINGSBURY	5*
	CLARENCE G BLEVENS	0
UNITED STATES SENATOR	KEN BLEVENS	6*
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	GARY A FLANDERS	6*
no other libertarian candidates		*Nominated



HAMPTON GENERAL ELECTION

NOVEMBER 5, 1996

PRESIDENT / VICE PRESIDENT

"BOB" DOLE	2761
JACK KEMP (Rep)	
"BILL" CLINTON	3488*
"AL" GORE (Dem)	
HARRY BROWNE	63
JO JORGENSEN (Lib.)	
HOWARD PHILLIPS	19
HERBERT W. TITUS (Taxp.)	
ROSS PEROT	567
PAT CHOATE (Ref.)	

GOVERNOR

OVID M. LAMONTAGNE (Rep.)	2575
JEANNE SHAHEEN (Dem.)	4282*
ROBERT KINGSBURY (Lib.)	74
"FRED" BRAMANTE (Ind.ref.)	73

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

JOHN E. SUNUNU (rep.)	3265*
"JOE" KEEFE (dem.)	3554
GARY A. FLANDERS (lib.)	217

SHERIFF

WAYNE E. VETTER(rep,dem,lib)	5394*
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COUNTY ATTORNEY

JAMES M. REAMS(Rep)	3095
"BILL" HART (Dem)	3470*

COUNTY TREASURER

DONALD M. REDDEN(Rep.)	2467
ELLEN M. LAVIN(Dem)	4037*

STATE SENATOR

JOHN T. DOWD (Rep)	3048
BEVERLY HOLLINGWORTH (Dem)	3875*

UNITED STATES SENATOR

"BOB" SMITH (Rep.)	3244*
"DICK" SWETT (Dem.)	3491
"KEN" BLEVENS (Lib.)	264

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR

RUTH L. GRIFFIN(Rep/Lib)	3756*
"BILL" VERGE (Dem)	2194

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

ANDREW CHRISTIE (Rep)	2940*
SHEILA FRANCOEUR(Rep)	3548*
"KEN" MALCOLM (Rep)	2822*
JOHN R. PAYZANT (Rep)	2406
LEROY C. THAYER (Rep)	2577
ROBERT CUSHING Jr (Dem)	2820*
PATRICK S. HAYES (Dem)	2188
JANE KELLEY (Dem)	3669*
FRANCIS X MCNEIL (Dem)	1967
WENDELL C. RING (Dem)	2542

REGISTER OF DEEDS

CATHY STACEY(Rep/Dem)	5682*
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REGISTER OF PROBATE

CHARLES THAYER(Rep)	3473*
LESLIE DOLLEMAN(Dem)	2860

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

"KATE" PRATT (Rep)	4016*
ROBIN WALKER (Dem)	2575

*Elected

REPORT OF THE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I present the annual report of activity for the Fire & Rescue service for the year 1996 to the Board of Selectmen and the residents of Hampton.

PERSONNEL

The staffing of the department includes a Fire Chief, a Deputy Fire Chief and a Secretary that administer the operation on a day to day basis; one Fire Prevention Officer and one Fire Inspector that staff the Fire Prevention Bureau; four Fire Alarm Operators that are responsible for all the routine and emergency communications for the department and thirty two Officers, Firefighter/EMTs and Paramedics that staff both fire stations, two advanced life support ambulances and three fire suppression vehicles around the clock, days, nights, weekends and holidays. This force is supported by a part-time "paid on call" force of eighteen firefighters that respond to all structure fires and other major emergencies.

We had two retirements during 1996, Fire Lieutenant Howard Himmelreich retired on August 30th and moved to his farm in Iowa. Firefighter Tom Cots retired on April 30th after having spent twenty three years with the department.

Veteran firefighter Matthew Clark was promoted to the rank of Fire Lieutenant replacing Himmelreich and Michael McMahon and Justin Cutting were hired as new firefighters. Five new call firefighters were hired to fill vacancies during the year. They are Patrick Cotter, Paul Haas, Jason Lajoie, Michael Lilly and Robert Thompson III.

EMERGENCY RESPONSES

The department responded to a total of 3,479 incidents during the year including 1,438 fire calls, a total of 1,233 emergency medical calls and 808 service calls. Six fire incidents resulted in "working fires" and one required a 2nd alarm assignment in order to contain and extinguish it.

Fire apparatus responded out of town on mutual aid a total of 27 times during the year, while emergency medical mutual aid was provided to other communities on 11 occasions. Hampton received mutual aid on a total of 30 fire and emergency medical incidents during the year.

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

The Fire Prevention Bureau investigated a total of 30 fires during 1996. Of these, 23 had the cause and origin determined. Five were arson related and two remain under investigation. Fifty two sets of plans for fire protection systems, 43 site plans and plans for new building construction were reviewed and approved. Major projects that required a large commitment of time were UNITIL'S new corporate office building, the 750 seat auditorium at

the High School, and additions to both the Marston and the Sacred Heart schools. Almost two hundred permits were issued for everything from drilling and blasting to places of assembly. Fire Prevention Week was very active as it is every year, with programs for the school students, tours of the fire stations for kindergarten and day care children and an open house at Station Two on Winnacunnet Road for the general public. Fire Inspector Scott McDonald attended a two week arson investigation course at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, MD.

During the Spring and early Summer, on-duty firefighter personnel conducted "in-service" fire safety inspections primarily in the beach area. Single family rental property, motels and hotels were the focus of inspections for working smoke detectors and other common fire and life safety hazards.

PLANNING & TRAINING

The career and call firefighters logged a total of 2,753 hours of training throughout the year both on duty "in service" hours and in courses held outside of the department. Please keep in mind that the firefighters in Hampton wear two hats and must maintain their skills in both areas, fire suppression and emergency medical care, so training has to be an on-going process throughout the year.

All of the career personnel completed courses in emergency vehicle operation and sexual harassment in the work place and how to prevent it. These programs were sponsored by the New Hampshire Municipal Association's Loss Prevention Division.

Firefighters Tony St. Louis, George James, Jon True and Sean Murray completed courses in order to become "Hazardous Material Technicians". By having these technical people in the organization, our ability to recognize and react to hazardous material incidents has been strengthened.

Firefighter Mike McMahon completed his Firefighter Level II and III certifications and also graduated from the NHVTC with an Associates Degree in Fire Science.

Firefighter/EMTs Mike Brillard, Sean Murray and Justin Cutting completed the EMT-I course which brings the number of EMT-Intermediates in the department to ten. We continue to hold the number of paramedics at five with two more scheduled for medic school in 1997.

The call firefighters drilled twice each month except for the months of July and August and continued to work the weekly fireworks displays at the beach during the summer.

SUPPORT

Three vehicles were purchased in 1996; a new sedan for the Fire Chief allowed the vehicle previously assigned to him to be handed down to the Fire Inspector replacing a car that was eleven years old and had high mileage; a pre-owned 4 wheel drive utility vehicle was purchased to replace a twelve year old

pick up truck that was in constant need of repair and a new Freightliner/RoadRescue ambulance was delivered in October.

A new telephone system was installed at both fire stations as part of the townwide Centrex system purchase; the front apparatus ramp at Station II was torn out and replaced by our Department of Public Works and at years end, the intersection of High Street, Exeter Road and Lafayette Road is awaiting the completion of the traffic light replacement program and the fire department's radio transmitter is in the process of being moved to the Mill Road water tank.

Our goal for the future is the same as it has always been, that is to keep the community safe from fire and to provide the highest possible level of life and property safety to the residents of the Town of Hampton. You can help us in this endeavor by insuring that your residence is equipped with smoke detectors and that they are in working order. Test them on a regular basis and replace the batteries at least once a year.

On behalf of the members of this department, I would like to express our thanks to Chief Bill Wrenn and the members of the Hampton Police Department, Director John Hangen and the employees of the Public Works Department and to the staff of the town office for their support and cooperation throughout the previous year.

Respectfully,

William H. Sullivan
Chief of Department



New Vehicles for 1996 included the ambulance on previous page, as well as a 4-wheel drive vehicle for both the Fire Department and Police Department. These vehicles have been an asset to the town during difficult weather and on numerous other occasions.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

PERSONNEL:	FULL-TIME	41
	PART-TIME	16
	TOTAL	57

During 1996 the Public Works Department faced some unusual challenges. We experienced record snowfalls during the first quarter and a 100 year plus rain event in October. In November, Jack Furbush and Dan Batchelder retired after almost 30 years service each. Jack most recently served as the Highway General Foreman while Dan served as Sewer and Drain Foreman. Both were dedicated employees, served the Town unselfishly, and will be greatly missed by all.

Sidewalks

The department continued the sidewalk reconstruction project on High Street installing granite curb and hot top surface from Moulton Road to Leavitt Road. Various other areas were repaired with hot top overlay.

Sewers and Drains

This year the Sewer and Drain crew focused on maintaining and repairing the existing systems. They installed nine (9) new sewer services and repaired eighteen (18) existing services. The crew cleaned fourteen (14) miles of sewer lines with the sewer jet. We received thirty-seven (37) calls for blocked sewers, thirteen (13) of which were the responsibility of the Town. Ten (10) new catchbasins were installed and twelve (12) were repaired or raised. A total of seventy-eight (78) new sewer permits were issued which required 122 inspections. In addition, 308 locations were made for contractors, utility companies, and the public. The Sun Valley sewer improvement program has been bid and construction is expected to begin in 1997.

The 100 year rain event that saturated the Seacoast with approximately a foot of rain on October 20th highlighted several areas in town that are lacking in adequate drainage. Mill Pond and Eel Creek, and Drakeside Road were the hardest hit areas. The Public Works and Fire Departments pumped water across Winnacunnet Road at Eel Creek around the clock for five days in an attempt to alleviate flooding. A design/build plan was developed for enlarging the culvert on Winnacunnet Road. This project is listed as the number one priority in the 1986 Drainage Master Plan. The Drakeside Road culvert has been reconstructed in conjunction with a subdivision project. Part of the funding came from a state grant which was matched by the town. The subdivision developer also contributed to the reconstruction of Drakeside Road.

Snow

Much of the first quarter of 1996 was taken up with snow related activities, i.e. plowing, snow removal, sanding and salting, and maintaining

equipment which led to considerable plow damage repair (lawns, mailboxes, shrubs, etc.) and cleaning sand from intersections throughout town.. We had a total of fourteen storms during 1996 which left behind approximately 100 inches of snow. The crews responsible for this work are to be commended for the long, harrowing hours they put in to combat this inclement weather.

Treatment Plant

As many of the components of our treatment facility are reaching their 20 year design capabilities we are faced with challenges to upgrade to new technologies in a cost effective manner while continuing to improve our treatment quality. We are looking forward to the installation of new areation equipment in the spring of 1997 and to other plant improvements to help process our wastewater.

This year we received in excess of 740 million gallons of wastewater at the treatment facility of which 5.0 million gallons was septage. The treatment process, which is frequently very unpleasant, is performed by a small group of dedicated employees. They perform lab analysis 365 days per year to insure that the effluent discharged to the marsh meets our very strict EPA quality standards. During 1996 they extracted 2700 tons of biosolids from the wastewater which was sent to Waste Management, Inc.'s compost facility. The department initially contracted for disposal of sludge by land application to farmers' fields which would result in a cost savings. However, restrictive state regulations adopted in March 1996 in effect closed that option. We hope that realistic rules will be forth coming to provide the option of land application of municipal sludge in New Hampshire as this will save a considerable amount of town funds in the future versus other options.

Highway Maintenance

Our road maintenance program included resurfacing portions of Winnacunnet Road, Timber Swamp Road, Exeter Road, Towle Farm Road, and Joanne Lane. Center lines and fog lines were painted where necessary throughout town as were parking spaces, crosswalks, slow school and stop lines. Pot holes and eroded shoulders were particularly troublesome this year due to the excessive snow fall. Daily repairs were necessary in many cases to keep roads safe for traffic. Street and traffic sign replacement was once again time consuming and costly as we replaced and/or installed 333 signs during 1996.

Solid Waste and Recycling

Solid waste collection is consistently the most demanding task performed by the Public Works Department. It is a never-ending battle that generally takes first priority. I am happy to report that the landfill is closed and represents and reflects the latest technology advancements for containing groundwater contamination. The massive hill is now green and blends in well

with the existing neighborhood. The dedicated recreation areas will be put into service in 1997. The opening of the walking/jogging "trail" located on top of the hill will take some time as air quality testing may be necessary. During the year 8,505 tons of MSW (municipal solid waste) passed through the transfer station. We also received 1504 tons of wood and 5130 tons of metal at the transfer station. Curbside recycling is now six years old in Hampton. This year a total of 1207 tons of recycleable material was removed from the waste stream. The residential recycling participation rate in Hampton is relatively high and everyone who recycles is commended for doing so. At this time commercial participation is low and we are working to improve on this aspect of recycling. Randy Noyes, the Transfer Station Coordinator, has been very aggressive in searching for more economical ways of handling the recycling and solid waste disposal programs.

As always the Public Works Department will continue in its effort to provide the taxpayers of Hampton the level of services they have come to expect at the lowest possible cost. We, in the entire department, are proud to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,
John R. Hangen,
Public Works Director



A view of High Street, closed as a result of the October flooding.

THE CLOSURE OF THE HAMPTON LANDFILL

Photos taken between September, 1995- November, 1996 by Arthur J. Moody.



TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

During 1996 a total amount of \$1,822,737.30 was collected in the Town Clerk's office. This represents an increase of \$230,397.57 from the previous year and sets a new record for our office. This increase was attributable to new resident growth in the town and subsequent car registrations, an increase in new car sales, improved adherence to dog registration laws and a greater awareness of the benefits of registering boats through the Town Clerk's Office. The total figures are as follows:

Permit Fees	\$1,734,791.50	Title Fees	\$7,444.00
Agent Fees	43,792.50	Dog Licenses	5,988.50
Vital Records	12,449.00	UCC Filings	9,183.37
Miscellaneous	5,329.34		

We processed 50,000 separate transactions ranging from a low of \$.25 for filing attachment writs to a high of \$2,600.00 for luxury motor vehicles. We dispersed \$11,744.50 to the State from the dog registration and vital record fund.

New service in 1996 - mail in renewals! With improved computerization of this office, we are now able to print renewal notices on a monthly basis. This program was introduced in September and has received a very favorable reaction from residents whose registrations expired during the fourth quarter. If you prefer to come in and renew in person (and we like to see you), it serves as a timely reminder and allows us to alert residents to potential problems, such as office closings, that might affect their registration plans.

In-town boat registrations, which were introduced in 1995 continue to improve. It is important to remember that unlike registrations sent to Concord, money collected in Hampton remains in the town as general revenue. This year we registered 209 boats and collected \$3,759.09.

State laws governing dog licensing continue to keep us busy, as we registered 959 dogs. Our thanks to Animal Control Officer Peter MacKinnon for providing assistance and service through the year.

Presidential election years are especially challenging to this office. In 1996 we were immersed in four elections. It is our responsibility to safeguard, distribute and coordinate absentee ballots for out-of-town residents, register new voters, record minutes and support other election officials at the polls. A record 733 absentee ballots were issued for the Presidential Election.

My thanks to Betty Poliquin, Joyce Williams and Betty Finneran whose knowledge, efficiency and positive attitude make the operation of this office so successful. My continued appreciation to the people of Hampton for their support.

Respectfully,
Arleen Andreozzi
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

DR.	1996	1995
UNCOLLECTED TAXES,		
JANUARY 1, 1996:		
Property Taxes		\$1,551,363.70
Yield Taxes		89.08
TAXES COMMITTED in 1996:		
Property Taxes	\$23,674,563.19	
Yield Taxes	590.09	
Land Rent	17,912.56	
OVERPAYMENT:		
Property Taxes	71,662.64	865.36
Interest Collected-Delinquent Tax	23,192.18	89,159.13
TOTAL DEBITS	\$23,787,920.66	\$1,641,577.27

CR.		
REMITTED TO TREASURER		
DURING FISCAL YEAR:		
Property Taxes	\$22,192,535.27	\$ 770,920.37
Tax Converted to Lien		777,311.63
Yield Taxes		189.08
Land Rent	17,912.56	
Interest	23,192.18	31,129.03
Int. & Costs Converted to Lien		58,030.10
ABATEMENTS MADE:		
Property Tax	111,204.23	3,997.06
Deeded to Town	178.46	
UNCOLLECTED TAXES, DEC. 31, 1996		
Property Tax	1,442,307.87	
Yield Tax	590.09	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$23,787,920.66	\$1,641,577.27

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT of LIENS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1996

DR.	1995	1994	1993	Prior Levies
Unredeemed Liens,				
Jan. 1, 1996				
Liens Executed during fiscal year	835,341.73	442,337.87	262,362.45	8,635.99
Interest Collected	25,248.31	55,162.62	84,547.82	361.33
Costs Collected	4,921.00	2,985.18	5,840.53	-0-
TOTAL DEBITS	\$865,511.04	\$500,485.67	\$352,750.80	\$8,997.32
CR.				
Remittances to Treasurer:				
Redemptions	415,302.28	250,548.49	249,129.00	2,299.62
Interest & Costs	30,169.31	58,147.80	90,388.35	361.33
Abatements		136.70	253.96	
Deeded to Town	1,656.51	1,568.79	1,468.35	214.09
Unredeemed Liens,				
Dec. 31, 1996				
	418,382.94	190,083.89	11,511.14	6,122.28
TOTAL CREDITS	\$865,511.04	\$500,485.67	\$352,750.80	\$8,997.32

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

This will be my last report to the people of Hampton, since I am retiring at the end of my term. Many changes have occurred in the 15 years I have worked here (nine as Tax Collector) . . . When people were allowed to purchase their leased land, we saw a significant drop in the number of Land Rent bills. Bank Stock bills are a thing of the past.

This office was introduced to the age of technology with its first computer In 1985. (Thank goodness we've had two new systems since then, with additional terminals and word processing capabilities!) 1986 was the year Hampton did away with the Residence Tax, to the dismay of very few! In 1987 the voters at Town Meeting saw the wisdom of adopting the somewhat more compassionate Tax Lien system in place of the Tax Sale for the collection of delinquent taxes. The 1989 Town Meeting gave the Tax Collector permission to accept pre-payment of current year taxes, which should prevent another situation which faced me in my first year as collector - - the re-billing of the previous year's tax, which was truly a bookkeeper's and auditor's nightmare, and was an additional expense to the Town. That was a revaluation year, and the article for an adjustment to the elderly exemptions was also adopted.

Semi-annual tax billing appeared as a warrant article several times before it was finally adopted in 1992. There were many who disliked the new system, but over time I believe it has found more friends than opponents, and has certainly helped the Town's cash flow.

I have seen the Tax Warrant go from \$15 million and 7838 bills in 1988 to \$23.6 million and 8494 bills (mailed twice a year) in 1996. As the financial reports show, I have also seen a continual decrease in the amount of taxes that have to be liened.

What do I wish for the new Tax Collector? Continuing good relationships with the other Town Departments and you the tax payers, computers that keep up with the times, a continuing drop in bankruptcy cases, balanced audit sheets, and an improved tax bill form!!

Respectfully submitted, with many thanks for allowing me to work for you.

Ann Kaiser,
Tax Collector

WE'LL MISS YOU ANN!



**RETIRING TAX COLLECTOR, ANN KAISER
HALLOWEEN, 1996**

Recreation & Parks Department

Another fulfilled year has ended for the Hampton Recreation and Parks Department. Along with the fun that we were able to provide through a variety of affordable programs and trips for all ages, we did our best to keep Hampton's park land beautiful and safe, and to give all residents the opportunity to meet people and grow within the community.

The office staff of the recreation department includes Dyana Lassonde, Director and Amy O'Shaughnessy, Program Coordinator. This past year our office went through some personnel changes in which the department hired Maureen L. Shaw as permanent part-time Secretary after the departure of our two part-time secretaries. We wish June Trudeau and Linda Hardej the best of luck in their endeavors and thank them for their dedicated service to this department.

The departments major facilities are Tuck Field and Eaton Park. However, we also utilize the Town's schools, the Lane Library, the Village Preschool and various churches to house our many programs. Some of these programs would include the Hampton Co-Rec Softball League, Hampton Men's Softball League, gymnastics camp and gymnastics classes, the Fishing Derby, Toddler Movement, Senior and children's Craft Classes, Bridge, K-4 Sports, Red Cross Baby-sitting Courses, Aerobics, Hoop Camp, Soccer Camp, Knitting, In-Line Skating Clinics, Creative Crickets Summer Camp, Men's Soccer League, Tuck Summer Camp, summer tennis lessons, Co-Rec Volleyball, Men's Basketball, summer pickup basketball and the Hampton Senior Citizens Club.

The 1996 year brought some new programs to the Hampton Recreation & Parks Department to add to the above everlasting programs. The department added Monday Night Track and the Summer Concert Series to its summer agenda and Fun Feet, Magic with Max, and Drawing to its winter agenda. All which we are proud to say have had a terrific response. We have also added two new tour companies to our department. These two companies each offer overnight trips to destinations all over the world. Brochures and flyers can be picked up at our office for both GeoDon and Collette Tours. Reddington Landing is the site of our newest playground, feel free to stop by and enjoy the slide, fire pole and curly climber!

This past year Kids Kingdom became a reality and an abundance of kids have enjoyed themselves at the new playground. Thank you again goes out to the hundreds of people that built, donated and worked toward the goal with special thanks to Judy Ward and Ellen Galvin for being the force behind the effort.

During the past year, we have started plans for two new areas of town property. The landfill area will have an in-line hockey rink, a sand volleyball court, a practice soccer field and a skating rink. We are in hopes that the

skating rink will be open as early as January 1997 and we are already planning for ice skating lessons. All the other sections will be ready in the spring. The other area that plans are being made for is the Campbell Property on Towle Farm Road. When the plans are all finished we are in hopes of having a few new play areas and ballfields on that side of town.

We are very proud of the programs, special events, trips, lessons and leagues that we provide. We welcome new program ideas and are always looking for new instructors and volunteers, so please call us if you or someone you know would be interested in instructing or suggesting a new program idea to our existing schedule.

Many thanks to the Hampton Recreation & Parks Advisory Council, Hampton Recreation Instructors, the Lane Library, Hampton Schools, churches, PTA, Public Works, Police and Fire Departments, the Rotary, the Hampton Child & Family Center and the Hampton Youth Association for your continued support and assistance. Also thanks to all the sponsors for our Summer Concert Series - The Lions Club, Wheelabrator Technologies, Hampton Women's Club, The Hampton Rotary, Hampton Historical Society and the Hampton School Board.

On behalf of the Hampton Recreation Staff, we hope that you enjoyed our 1996 programs and trips and we are looking forward to seeing you in recreation in 1997 !

Respectfully Submitted,
Dyana Lassonde
Director of Recreation & Parks



Children of all ages enjoy the events and activities
sponsored by Hampton Parks & Recreation





ASSESSOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

In 1996 the tax rate fell 23 cents to \$21.37 per thousand of assessment. The total valuation of the town increased 28,331,500 primarily due to new construction, new house lots and the winning of the case regarding taxability of the lots under the HBIC lease that had been purchased from the Town.

In 1996-97 we conducted a revaluation of the entire town, which is completed. These new assessments will be on your 1997 first-half tax bill. Using the new assessments and applying the old rate (which is law), will cause a higher first-half bill for most taxpayers because the majority of the assessments will be going up. Remember that your second-half bill last year was actually lower than the first half because the rate went down in September and the 1996 first half bill was based on the higher 1995 rate. When the actual 1997 tax rate is calculated in September on the re-evaluated assessed value, it will likely go down and therefore your second-half bill should be a lesser half, again.

Below are some statistics that show how changes in expenditures and assessed value can effect the tax rate according to the 1996 tax rate figures:

\$109,934 in expenditure can change the rate +10¢

\$5,144,300 in assessed value can change the rate -10¢

LEASED LAND UPDATE

In 1996, the Town voted to change the maximum lease term to 20 years and to charge a 2% land rent on top of the taxes that have traditionally been charged to the lessee. This affects all new leases after the adoption of the article and will amount to an additional \$46,000 in revenue to the Town for 1997.

There are presently 68 lots being leased with the majority being among the lettered streets and the area known as the "Pines". These will all be under a Town lease in 1997, where recently 2/3rds were paying their rent to the Hampton Beach Improvement Company. This office will be sending new leases out in February to the lease holders that are due to expire in 1997. The lots can still be purchased by the lessee at 100% of market value. Purchase information can be obtained by calling the Assessor's Office at 929-5923.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Estey, Assessor, CAE, CNHA

Angela L. Boucher, Deputy Assessor, CNHA

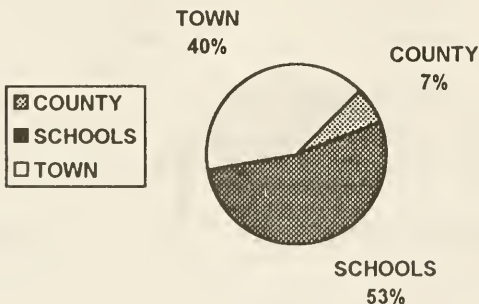
1996 TAXABLE VALUATION BREAKDOWN

DESCRIPTION		VALUE	% OF
TOTAL VALUATION		1,152,848,700	100.000%
EXEMPT PROPERTIES		50,545,300	4.384%
SCHOOLS	15,387,600		
MUNICIPAL	15,432,210		
CHURCHES	7,496,200		
OTHER	12,229,400		
TOTAL TAXABLE PROPERTY		1,102,303,400	95.616%
VALUATION EXEMPTIONS (ELDERLY, BLIND, ETC.)		2,960,700	.257%
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUATION		1,099,342,700	5.359%
DESCRIPTION	COUNT	VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY	
SINGLE FAMILY HOMES	4931±	647,778,500	58.924%
MOBILE HOMES	323±	9,231,000	0.840%
APT. HOUSES	310±	56,003,700	5.094%
RES. CONDOS	1751±	130,974,400	11.914%
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES	7315±	843,987,600	76.772%
COMMERCIAL	331±	117,031,400	10.646%
INDUSTRIAL	14±	20,041,800	1.823%
UTILITIES		88,137,600	8.017%
COMM/IND CONDOS	215±	12,970,600	1.180%
TOTAL COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES	560±	238,181,400	21.666%
VACANT LAND/CUR USE	550±	16,786,800	1.527%
MARSHLAND	213±	112,500	0.010%
LEASED PARKING SPACES		274,400	0.025%
TOTAL OTHER PROPERTIES		17,173,700	1.562%
TOTAL TAXABLE PROPERTIES	1,099,342,700		100.000%

TWO YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>
GROSS ASSESSED VALUE:	1,073,971,900	1,102,303,400
Less Elderly/Blind:	-2,916,000	-2,960,700
NET ASSESSED VALUE:	1,071,055,900	1,099,342,700
NET PRECINCT VALUE:	214,490,600	222,432,000
Assessment Ratio	94%	93%
 TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATION:	 23,601,383	 15,060,391
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS:	-13,977,493	-5,875,117
NET SCHOOL APPROPRIATION:	11,890,625	12,594,565
COUNTY TAX APPROPRIATION:	1,507,262	1,596,924
TOTAL APPROPRIATION:	23,021,777	23,376,763
 BPT REIMBURSEMENT:	 -213,264	 -211,142
WAR SERVICE CREDITS:	+125,350	+127,750
OVERLAY: +200,945 +199,582		
 PROPERTY TAXES TO BE RAISED:	 23,009,458	 23,365,203
PRECINCT TAXES TO BE RAISED	323,994	307,457
GROSS PROPERTY TAXES:	23,333,452	23,672,660
 MUNICIPAL RATE:	 9.23	 8.59
SCHOOLS RATE:	10.98	11.34
COUNTY RATE:	1.39	1.44
 TOTAL RATE:	 21.60	 21.37
 Exempt Precinct Rate:	 21.94	 21.71
Precinct Rate:	23.30	22.92

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN



Building Inspection / Code Enforcement

The Building Department experienced another busy year in 1996. A total of 1049 building permits were issued, generating \$91,543 in permit fees. This represents an estimated \$22,352,591 in added property value.

Several of the larger commercial construction projects this year included a 2 story 13,200 square foot addition to Sacred Heart School, a 750 seat capacity auditorium for Winnacunnet High School, an addition to Foss Manufacturing, and the retrofitting of the old Burgon Tool building on Landing Road.

A total of 2,822 inspections were made, including new construction, zoning concerns, health issues, and other miscellaneous items.

The following comprises a list of residential and commercial permits issued and the amount of valuation by month:

RESIDENTIAL PERMITS INCLUDED:

82 New Homes	217 Electrical	235 Plumbing	323 Miscellaneous
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COMMERCIAL PERMITS INCLUDED:

6 New Structures	54 Electrical	37 Plumbing	130 Miscellaneous
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January	612,439	July	774,427
February	1,175,040	August	1,208,976
March	3,270,725	September	4,613,441
April	1,741,547	October	2,847,450
May	1,574,356	November	1,517,175
June	2,104,545	December	912,470

A concerted effort between the Building Department, Police Department, and Fire Departments, was initiated this summer in an attempt to bring several sub-standard housing units up to BOCA Building Code, (Building Officials and Code Administrators) and NFPA Life Safety Codes (National Fire Protection Association). Our efforts were endorsed by the Selectmen as well as the courts, and several citations were issued to property owners.

Ms. Rita Richard, secretary for this department for many years, retired in October. We wish her well in her future endeavors.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald H. Graves, Building Inspector
Matthew Taylor, Assistant Building Inspector
Joanne Ruel, Bldg. Dept. Office Assistant

TREASURER'S REPORT

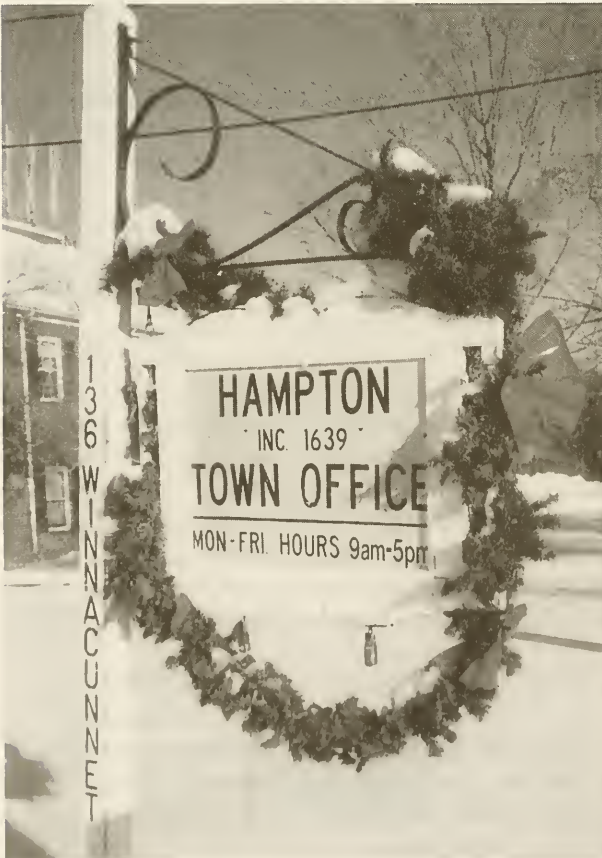
Another successful year for the Town has come and gone. The year proved to be an excellent one for tax collections, therefore decreasing the need to borrow.

After negotiations with three banks, the Town was able to obtain a \$6,000,000 line of credit with a fixed interest rate of 3.94%. The result of the increased tax collections meant that the Town only needed to borrow \$300,000 from the line of credit. The interest expense for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1996 was \$1,500.00 which is the lowest it has been in six years.

The Town was able to invest its funds for a longer period of time, therefore increasing the amount of interest earned on its accounts. The total amount earned for fiscal year ending December 31, 1996 was \$199,116.48.

We hope that this trend will continue as our ultimate goal would be not to borrow at all! I look forward to a great 1997.

Ellen M. Lavin, CPA
Town Treasurer



SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

The Supervisors of the Checklist were kept busy during 1996 with local elections, school and town district meetings, the State and Presidential Primary and General Election. The ability of registering to vote at the Town Clerk's office and at the polls on election day has made the process of voting much more convenient. This year the addition of a computer at the polls has made answering voter questions and entering voter information fast and efficient.

The Supervisors are required to be in attendance at all elections. Duties of the Supervisors include: holding sessions for voters registering before town and school district meetings along with state and federal elections; deletion of voters from the checklist; and changes of address, party and name. Updated checklists are conveniently posted at both the Town Office and the Beach Fire Station. There you can check to make sure you are registered to vote and that your party affiliation and address are correct. Changes can be made with either the Town Clerk or the Supervisors.

In December our records showed that there were 11,094 registered voters in Hampton. The breakdown of voters by party designation were 3,367 Democrats (30.35%), 3,715 Republicans (33.50%), 3,975 Undeclared (35.83%) and 35 Libertarians (0.32%).

We thank the town Clerk's Office for their assistance in processing voters, the Assessing Office for coordinating the printing of the checklists and the Tax Collector's Office for providing work space. We welcome any comments and suggestions you may have. Our goal is to make voting a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte K. Preston
Judith A. Dubois
Betty H. Moore

HAMPTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Full-Time Law Enforcement Officers 30

Part-Time Law Enforcement Officers 60

Full-Time Civilian Personnel 9

Part-Time Civilian Personnel 2

The Hampton Police Department experienced another busy year with personnel changes. An April, Patrol Officers James B. Sullivan and John D. Fincher were promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Sergeant Sullivan began his career as a Special Police Officer in April 1984 and was hired full time in January 1986. Prior to his promotion, Sergeant Sullivan divided his duties between patrol and prosecution, where he served as the Assistant Prosecutor. Sergeant Sullivan was assigned to serve as the department prosecutor after his promotion.

Sergeant Fincher began his career as a Special Police Officer in April 1983 and was hired full time in April 1986. Sergeant Fincher has been assigned to the patrol division throughout his career and continues to do so in his new position. Sergeant Fincher has been the chief firearms instructor since 1992 and also instructs officers in other critical areas.

In April, William J. Cronin was hired as a full time patrol officer to fill a vacancy due to the re-organization. Officer Cronin has served as a Special Police Officer since June 1982 and has approximately twenty three years experience in law enforcement.

In June, Captain Thomas R. Lyons retired after nearly twenty nine years of exceptional service to the Town. Captain Lyons began his career with the Department in December 1967 as a Special Police Officer. He was hired as a full time patrol officer in November 1980 and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in October 1988. In December 1996, e was promoted to the rank of Captain and assumed the responsibilities of second in command. He was well known for many years as the department prosecutor. All members of the Department wish to thank Captain Lyons for his many years of dedicated public service and congratulate him in his retirement.

In July, Lieutenant Victor R. DeMarco was promoted to the rank of Captain. Captain DeMarco was hired as a Special Police Officer in June 1971 and began his career as a full-time officer in June 1972. Promoted to the rank of Sergeant in March 1980, he has primarily worked in the Patrol Division. In December 1996, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and worked in both patrol and the Administrative Services Bureau. With this promotion, Captain DeMarco now serves as the second in command of the Department and assists the Chief with many of the administrative duties.

Sergeant James Sullivan was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant to fill the vacancy created by the promotion of Captain DeMarco and Patrol Officer Joseph M. Galvin was promoted to the rank of Sergeant due to the vacancy created by the promotion of Lieutenant Sullivan.

Sergeant Galvin was hired as a Special Police Officer in May 1981

and began his career as a full time Patrol Officer in September 1984. Sergeant Galvin has worked in patrol throughout his career and was one of the officers assigned to the Mounted Police Unit during the summer months. Sergeant Galvin is currently the prosecutor for the department.

Also in June, Patrol Officer Daniel Florent resigned to become a Deputy U.S. Marshal with the U. S. Marshall Service. Officer Florent began his career as a dispatcher in April 1982 and was hired as a Special Police Officer in April 1983. His career continued with a full-time appointment as a police officer in June, 1986. He worked in patrol and was one of the officers assigned to the Mounted Police Unit during the summer months. All members of the Department recognize him for his years of dedicated service and wish him well in his new position.

In March, Mary L. Rowe, Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police resigned to accept a job with a law firm in Concord. All members of the Department wish her well in her new position. In May, Cindy-Sue Mastin was hired to replace Ms. Rowe as the Administrative Assistant to the Chief. Ms. Mastin had formerly worked for as an administrative secretary for the Town of Newmarket and worked for a number of years as a secretary in the Newmarket Police Department.

In July, Timothy D. Kerber was hired as a full time patrol officer to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Officer Daniel Florent. Officer Kerber has served as a Special Police Officer since March 1993. He is currently attending the N.H. Police Standards and Training Council Police Academy.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS & INSPECTIONS UNIT

This unit has the task of investigating all complaints concerning the professionalism, integrity, and performance of any member of the Hampton Police Department. It is also responsible for providing inspections into various areas of the operation of the Department, including auditing funds received from parking ticket returns, animal control fees, gun permit fees, etc., and for inspecting evidence inventory to assure adherence to established policy and procedure. Commanded by Lt. Timothy Crotts and assisted by Sgt. Joseph Galvin, this unit has investigated 98 complaints since it was formed in December 1991.

The following is a breakdown of the twenty two internal investigations conducted this year:

Citizen Complaints Initiated	5
Department Initiated	6
Bureau Level Investigations	3
Internal Affairs Investigations	8
Internal Affairs Inquiries	0
Adjudication of Investigations:	
Sustained	3
Not Sustained	4
Unfounded	1

Exonerated	2
Ongoing Investigations	0
Dismissed	1

Final Dispositions of those sustained:

Oral Reprimands	1
Written Reprimands	1
Corrective Counseling	0
Suspensions	1
Terminations	1

OPERATIONS BUREAU

The Patrol Division was kept busy this year answering 16,440 calls for police service. The officers made custodial arrests for 2,035 offenses committed and 1190 motor vehicle arrests/summons (see summaries) which represents a 4% increase over last year.

I am proud to report that on May 23, 1996, Officer Daniel Gidley was presented with the "Looking Beyond the Traffic Ticket" award by the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council. This award recognized officers who display high motivation in the performance of their duties, especially in the area of traffic law enforcement. Officer Gidley was honored at a luncheon and received the award from Trooper Charles Hanger, the man who apprehended Timothy McVeigh, the Oklahoma City bomber.

A collation made up of the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works Department and Building Inspector; led by the Town Manager and Board of Selectmen, continues to focus on certain areas of the beach which have been trouble spots in recent years. Working closely with the Building and Fire Inspectors, several dangerous rental properties were closed down and their owners were brought to court. This cooperative effort was once again extremely successful and continues to impact the problems that had been associated with those area in the past.

The Police Department also continues to change its method of operations at the beach during the summer months. The system of flexible directed patrols in problem areas once again helped to reduce problems in those areas and we continue to divide the beach into non-traditional patrol sectors to provide for quick police response to any problems occurring throughout the beach.

The Motorcycle Unit continues to provide the quick response to any incident even when heavy traffic hinders a cruiser response. This Unit is comprised of 14 certified motorcycle operators who ride 4 Harley Davidson FXRP motorcycles. These officers are certified through a training course designed by Harley Davidson and taught by Ptl. Steven Henderson and Ptl. Daniel Gidley. We would like to thank Seacoast Harley Davidson for all their help and generous assistance this past year.

The Bicycle Unit continues to increase in popularity both among the officers

and the public. This unit began at the urging of Ptl. James Patton who devoted many hours of research and development into this innovative program. People are still surprised to see Hampton Police Officers patrolling the beach area and responding to calls for service on bicycles. These changes and new programs helped the officers to quickly maintain control of potentially troublesome incidents and offered to the beach community a constant police presence.

The New Hampshire State Police assigned troopers to the beach area each weekend to augment our staff, and the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Division of Enforcement also scheduled Enforcement Officers on various nights to assist our officers. A special note of thanks to Department of Safety Commissioner Richard Flynn, former New Hampshire State Police Col. Lynn Presby, Division of Enforcement Director E. James Daley, for their continued support and cooperation.

All Police Department personnel are commended for their continued display of professionalism and dedication to the law enforcement mission in our community and praise should be bestowed upon all who participated in those efforts to help make this past summer enjoyable for those who live, work and visit in our community.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

This Division, commanded by Det. Sgt. Robert Towler and consisting of Detectives William Lally, Philip Russell, and Laura Stoessel, experienced another busy year conducting investigations into felony complaints, drug crimes, sexual assaults, cases of a sensitive nature, and all juvenile matters. The year end report reflects 74 indictments were sought and received through the Rockingham Grand Jury against 46 suspects. These indictments were the result of 146 investigations conducted by Detective and Patrol Divisions. The offenses are the following:

Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault	7
Felonious Sexual Assault	2
First Degree Assault	6
Second Degree Assault	15
Burglary	19
Theft	39
Robbery	4
Credit Card Fraud	3
Gambling Investigations	2
Arson	4
Receiving Stolen Property	4
Forgery	8
Issuing Bad Checks	5
Narcotic Investigations	6
Habitual Offender	3
Conduct After Accident	3
Felon in Poss. of Firearm	1

Falsifying Physical Evidence	1
Riot	1
Attempted Abduction	1
Interference with Custody	1
Fugitive from Justice	1
Firearm Theft	1
Harassment	2

The Detectives experienced another busy year with responsibility over juveniles investigations. The year end report reflects:

Juvenile Matters Investigated	112
Juvenile Sexual Assault Investigations	15
Physical Abuse/Neglect Investigations	13
Juvenile Court Petitions	71
Juvenile Cases in Diversion Program	16

Chief Wrenn and the detectives continue to meet with officials from Winnacunnet High School, Hampton Academy Junior High School, Hampton District Court and the Community Issues Committee. These meetings have been very helpful in discussing solutions to the issues facing our youth. We also continue to use the juvenile diversion program. This program enables the police department to grant certain first time juvenile offenders the option to participate in a community service program in lieu of being prosecuted through juvenile court. A goal of this program is that by having juvenile offenders work within the community, they will gain a greater respect for the community while raising their self-esteem.

CRIMELINE FOR THE HAMPTONS

CrimeLine for the Hamptons, has completed its second full year in service. Chairman Maureen Johnson and the Crimeline Board of Directors reported that cash was paid out this year for information received about crimes in the Hampton, North Hampton, and Hampton Falls areas. This organization offers cash rewards and anonymity to persons furnishing information about crimes. Information is received on a separate phone line in the Police Department and callers are assured of anonymity by being assigned an ID number. Funding for this program is made possible through personal donations and fund raising efforts by the Board. Since its inception, information has been received that has helped in ongoing investigations. The CrimeLine for the Hamptons phone number is 929-1222.

MOUNTED PATROL

The Mounted Patrol Unit, supervised by Sgt. John Galvin, continues to provide a positive police presence while covering the beach during the summer months. Officers of this unit made numerous arrests of violators, especially in those areas difficult to patrol in cruisers or on foot.

D.A.R.E./COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Ptl. James Patton and Ptl. Aaron Pickering continue their efforts in bringing the D.A.R.E. Program into the schools. The officers attended the National D.A.R.E. Officers Conference and were present at many of the workshops designed to enhance existing curriculums and to aid teaching methodology. As a result of a fund-raiser, a 1993 Pontiac Bonneville was purchased from Scott Pontiac to be used by the D.A.R.E. officer. This vehicle is a highly visible reminder to the community of D.A.R.E. as it proudly displays its message and logo. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to this fine program and contributes to help keep Hampton youth and schools DRUG FREE.

Traffic Safety Officer, Ptl. Alan Roach continues to be a member of the National Safety Council and the Hampton Highway Safety Committee. Ptl Roach has also sponsored a seatbelt reward program where young drivers and their passengers found to be wearing seatbelts were rewarded with gift certificates at McDonald's.

The Crime Prevention Program continues to offer free home security evaluations to residents of our community and presentations on Crime Prevention to large and small groups. Anyone interested in scheduling a security evaluation or group presentation should contact Ptl. James Patton.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BUREAU

The Administrative Services Bureau is commanded by Lieutenant Timothy Crotts, who is responsibility for several important sections within the Police Department to include:

PROSECUTION SECTION

The Prosecution Section is responsible for prosecuting all District Court related matters, as well as, building and fire code violations, juvenile trials; maintaining and updating arrest files, warrant files, domestic violence petition files, pending civil litigation files; and performing records checks and issuing subpoenas. Lt. James Sullivan , who was the supervisor and prosecutor within this section prior to his current position and Sgt. Joseph Galvin, the current supervisor and prosecutor report the following statistics for 1996:

Total Arrests/Summonses.....	3,225
Cases Scheduled for Trial.....	866
Scheduled Trials which Resulted in Not Guilty, Nolle Prossed, or Dismissed Decision.....	45
Scheduled Trials which Resulted in Defaults.....	48

ANIMAL CONTROL

Peter Mackinnon, Animal Control Officer, experienced another very busy year responding to 502 animal related matters. The Feral Cat program which began in February has resulted in 75 cats captured by the Animal Control Officer and examined by the Hampton Veterinary Clinic. Of those cats captured, several were humanely euthanized due to severe injuries or illnesses and some were able to be relocated after having been spayed or neutered.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Communication Specialists perform an extremely important function for law enforcement and the community. Whether answering the telephone, responding to a radio transmission from an officer in a cruiser, or greeting a person entering the building, they are expected to provide the appropriate police response to any incident, calm the fears of victims while awaiting the arrival of an officer, provide instruction on life saving techniques to people in emergency situations, answer all sorts of questions both related and unrelated to law enforcement issues, perform computer functions, and still remain cheerful and stress free. The following list provides a yearly tabulation of the number of telephone calls received and the number of walk-ins recorded in one year (1995)

Month	Calls	Walk-ins
January	5088	948
February	3729	987
March	3843	1192
April	4163	1107
May	4522	1278
June	6872	1757
July	8455	2926
August	7335	2198
September	5222	1296
October	4922	1436
November	4193	1025
December	4344	1004
Totals	62,688	16,298

SUMMARY OF STATION LOG ACTIVITIES

Traffic Stops.....	4,244
Fire Department/Ambulance Assist.....	1,166
Miscellaneous Activity.....	1,190
Noise Complaints.....	787
Alarms (Burglar/Auto).....	738
Suspicious Activity.....	1,111
Disorderly Conduct.....	642
Accidents.....	637
Criminal Mischief.....	371
Theft.....	552
Miscellaneous Errand.....	98
Animal Matter.....	502
Traffic Problem (Disabled).....	458
Parking Violation.....	497
Serving Legal Paper.....	457
Liquor Law Violations.....	220
Domestic Disturbance.....	418
Unwanted Person.....	224
Assist Other Police Department.....	250
Burglary.....	144

Assault.....	160
Runaway.....	132
Harassing Phone Calls.....	97
Criminal Threatening.....	73
Found/Recovered Property.....	83
Motor Vehicle Theft.....	49
Person Transport.....	320
Lockout (Motor Vehicle).....	69
Fraud/Bad Checks.....	33
Driving While Intoxicated.....	34
Protective Custody.....	33
Open Doors/Windows.....	55
Lost Property.....	29
Criminal Trespass.....	37
Indecent Exposure.....	10
Citizen Complaint.....	46
Escorts (Money).....	14
Prowler.....	3
Soliciting/Salesman Matter.....	12
Sex Offense.....	6
Drug Offenses.....	55
Obstructing Street/Sidewalk.....	60
Utility Company.....	36
Missing Person (Adult).....	14
Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault.....	8
Playing in the Street.....	54
Other Criminal Offenses.....	21
Unattended Death.....	5
Attempted Suicide.....	26
Robbery.....	6
Bomb Threat.....	3
Forgery/Counterfeiting.....	5
Weapons Violations.....	6
Family/Abuse/Child Offenses.....	52
DPW Matter (Town).....	22
Receiving Stolen Property.....	3
Wanted Person.....	32
Hospital Matter (Sick/Transport).....	0
VIN Check.....	1
Air/Pellet Gun Offense.....	4
Incorrigible Juveniles.....	13
Kidnapping/Abduction.....	0
Homicide.....	0
Arson.....	2
Embezzlement.....	1

DPW Matters (State).....	2
Abandoned Refrigerator.....	3
Truancy.....	1
Vagrancy.....	3
Obscene Material.....	1
Total Station Log Activities.....	16,440

SUMMARY of CRIMINAL ARRESTS/OFFENSES COMMITTED

Liquor Law Violations.....	604
Protective Custody.....	108
Disorderly Conduct.....	136
Driving After Suspension/Revocation.....	135
Driving While Intoxicated.....	91
Simple Assault.....	68
Warrant.....	77
Possession of a Controlled Drug.....	81
Criminal Mischief.....	21
Reckless Operation.....	33
Theft.....	15
Resisting Arrest.....	35
Runaway.....	30
Disobey an Officer.....	18
Criminal Trespass.....	36
Criminal Threatening.....	9
Receiving Stolen Property.....	24
Burglary.....	7
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.....	10
False Reports to Police.....	2
Robbery.....	2
Fugitive From Justice.....	1
Second Degree Assault.....	4
Conduct After an Accident.....	20
Reckless Conduct.....	4
Violation of a Restraining Order.....	3
Riot.....	1
Habitual Offender.....	6
Possession of a Narcotic Drug.....	7
Endangering Welfare of a Child.....	3
Indecent Exposure.....	4
Escape.....	4
Loitering/Prowling.....	12
Littering.....	2
Sale of a Controlled Drug.....	1
Arson.....	1
Harassment.....	1

Conspiracy.....	1
Other Offenses.....	432
Total Offenses.....	1,931

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE ARRESTS/SUMMONS

Driving While Intoxicated.....	91*
Driving After Revocation/Suspension.....	135*
Speeding.....	257
Traffic Signs/Lights.....	66
Driving Without a License.....	41
Driving Without a M/C License.....	12
Driving a M/C Without Eye Protection.....	10
Unregistered Motor Vehicle.....	56
Uninspected Motor Vehicle.....	95
Highway Markings Violation.....	44
Misuse of Plates.....	22
Reckless Operation.....	33*
Failure to Yield.....	81
Failure to Yield to Pedestrians/Crosswalk.....	35
Improper Turning.....	18
Improper Stopping/Standing/Parking.....	23
Following Too Close.....	3
Unsafe Backing.....	2
Obstruction to Driver's View.....	4
Miscellaneous Violations.....	421

(*Factored into Criminal Arrest Total)

Total Summary Motor Vehicle Arrests/Summons....1,190

CONCLUSION

Our Department would like to extend our warm welcome to our new Town Manager, James Barrington and our sincere appreciation to the Acting Town Manager Thomas Gillick, the Board of Selectman, all Town Committees, and Town Departments for their help, cooperation, and continued support throughout the year. We also wish to thank the business community and the people of the Town of Hampton for their continued generosity and gracious support.

Finally, I wish to thank the families of our employees for the sacrifices they make every day due to the nature of this job, and I commend all our members for their professionalism, dedication and hard work towards providing the Town of Hampton with the best law enforcement services.

Respectfully Submitted,
William L. Wrenn
Chief of Police



IN RECOGNITION

The Town of Hampton would like to recognize the following Town employees who have retired from Town service this year. The Town of Hampton has been extremely fortunate to have such loyal, dedicated and talented employees. They will be missed both professionally and as friends.

Jack Furbush - General Foreman, Department of Public Works - 36 years of service

Daniel Batchelder - Foreman, Department of Public Works - 28 years of service

Thomas Lyons, Captain, Hampton Police Department - 26 years of service

Thomas Cots - Firefighter, Hampton Fire Department - 22 years of service.

Howard Himmelreich - Fire Lieutenant, Hampton Fire Department - 21 years of service

Rita Richard, Building Inspector's Secretary - 15 years of service



*** NEW FACES IN TOWN ***

We are pleased to introduce the following new Town of Hampton employees:



William Cronin, Patrolman
Hired: 4-24-96



Justin Cutting, Firefighter
Hired: 9-4-96



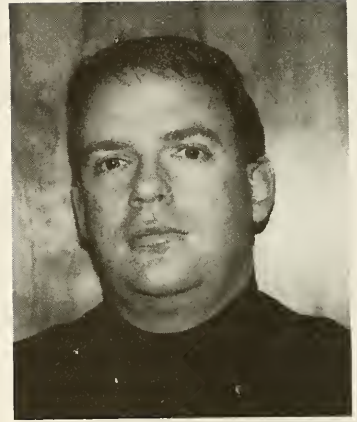
Michael McMahon, Firefighter
Hired: 5-8-96



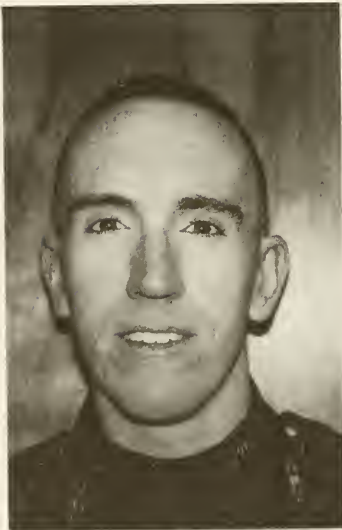
Dyana Lassonde, Rec. Director
Hired: 1-2-96



Maureen Shaw, Rec. Secretary
Hired: 9-15-96



Richard Sawyer, Patrolman
Hired: 8-26-96



Timothy Kerber, Patrolman
Hired: 7-11-96



Cindy-Sue Mastin, Police Chief's
Admin. Asst. Hired: 5-6-96

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Municipal Budget Committee has seen a year of transformation with a new Town Manager and organizational changes within the Committee. We welcomed new members and give thanks to those who left after many hours of service. In particular we want to commend Bob Wallace and Virginia "Ginny" Bridle. In addition we wish to thank Kate Pratt for her assistance as Committee Secretary. We wish them well in their new endeavors.

Some of the highlights that the Committee recommended to the 1996 Town Meeting were: moneys for the Sun Valley Area Sewer, Campbell Farm property acquisition, a new ambulance, playground improvements and Town Budget.

At the request of the Town Manager, the Committee approved an over-expenditure of the budget due to emergency repairs to the Eel Creek culvert.

During the year we met with the Board of Selectmen and various town department heads including: the Chief of Police and Fire Chief to better understand their budgets. We invited the Town's Labor Negotiator, Renny Perry, to explain and help members of the Committee understand the collective bargaining process. We will continue to ask department heads and other citizens to attend meetings to better comprehend the Town's needs and interests.

I wish to commend and thank all of the Budget Committee members for their hours of work, effort and dedication.

Most importantly, I want to encourage the residents of Hampton to participate in Town Meeting and vote at the polls to complete the budget process for 1997. Without the voters, the Committees' work is not complete.

John R. Payzant, Chairman
Municipal Budget Committee

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

During 1996 a total of \$858,640.25 was earned as revenue by the Town's trust funds. Net income (to benefit the property tax rate) was \$833,944.62. Small amounts from special trusts went to benefit the poor, Lane Memorial Library, Recreation & Parks Department and cemetery.

Bank of New Hampshire's name survived the merger with First National Bank of Portsmouth and the Trustees' banking management contract for the Real Estate Trust Fund was assumed by the larger bank. Bank of New Hampshire's Trust and Investment Services, Portsmouth, managed the RETF's portfolio under guidelines established by the Trustees. The Bank's fees, with municipal discount, amounted to \$15,307.60, a total that equals 1.97% of the \$773,315.56 of pre-fee net income directly attributable to the Bank's investment activities. The remainder of the RETF's 1996 revenue came from mortgage interest payments on Town-financed "leased-land". The Town has Fleet Mortgage Group, Inc., servicing the mortgages for a fee of 1/2% rate of the 12% on Town mortgages. The Town's share of the interest collected in 1996 totaled, \$75,936.66. At year's end, 37 mortgages remained outstanding (from a high of 105) with a principal balance of \$567,998.79. For a new three-year investment management contract, the Trustees sought Requests for Proposals and after reviewing the presentation of the three applicants, remained with Bank of New Hampshire.

The Trustees continue to manage the oldest and newest trusts as well as several capital Reserve Funds for the Town and Village District. No distributions from recovered assets have been received via FDIC regarding the foreclosure of Bank Meridian. The Trustees will make one final attempt to collect on our claim, approved in 1992 by FDIC, before writing off the \$10,000 in notes that were purchased in 1971.

Again in 1996, the Irving "Soup" Campbell Children's Sports Scholarship received a \$100 donation from the Rockingham Craftsmen.

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

C. Raymond Gilmore, Chairman

John J. Kelley, Sr.

Robert V. Lessard

TOWN OF HAMPTON

*BHH = Hampton National Bank (now: FDIC): \$10,000 in notes in 1P, 2P, 1C, Lib./Currier; no distribution rec'd. in 1996

Trustees O C. Raymond Gilmore
of the O John J. Kelley, Sr.
Trust Funds O R. Victor Lessard

WELCOME ABOARD



USS HAMPTON
SSN 767

USS Hampton sailing this way

Nuclear submarine to open Aug. 1
for tours at Portsmouth Shipyard

By Steve McGrath
RCN Staff

HAMPTON — The USS Hampton, the nuclear-powered submarine named after Hamptons in New Hampshire and three other states three years ago, will be open for public tours at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard next weekend.

The sub will be docked there from Thursday, Aug. 1, through Sunday, Aug. 4. It is scheduled to depart on Monday.

Meanwhile, the ship's crew has invited the town to send 10 men for an overnight indoctrination cruise from Groton, Ct., to Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

Tours of the 360-foot-long sub are by ticket only on Saturday and Sunday at the shipyard. Ticket and other information are available through Hampton Sektman Arthur Moody.

A lobster/clam bake is scheduled for the crew on Sunday, Aug. 4, at noon at Tuck Field. Police and firefighters will play softball with the crew afterward. A limited number of tickets for the lobster/clam bake are available for \$20.

Names of any men who have signed up to take the indoctrination cruise on the sub were unavailable yesterday.

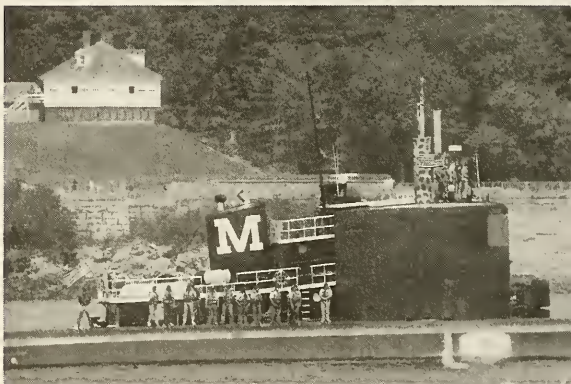
There are no quarters for women. The ship's commander is also advising women who tour the submarine to wear shorts or slacks since the entrance is straight down a ladder through a hatch on the sub's deck.

The sub was named after Hamptons in New Hampshire, Iowa, South Carolina and Virginia. It's a Los Angeles-class fast-attack sub with a crew of up to 141. The USS Hampton completed a six-month deployment in the Mediterranean Sea in February, partly in support of the NATO peace-keeping effort in Bosnia.

Tickets for Sunday's lobster/clam bake are available at the Hampton Recreation Department or from: Edward R. "Sandy" Buck III, 926-0646; Walt Connor, 926-2629; Bob Griffin, 926-7678; Theresa McGinnis, 929-5924; Ken Malcolm, 926-3034; Kate Pratt, 926-3531; or Bob Searle, 929-0068.



Edward "Sandy" Buck, of the town's Welcoming Committee, displays the special flag for the sub, custom-made by Flags Unlimited (which also made the Lafayette Road banner).

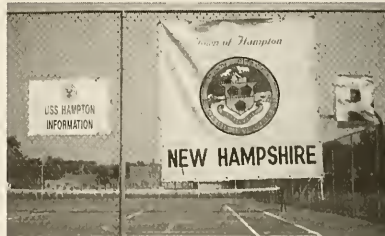


USS Hampton on the Piscataqua River

Article from *The Beachcomber*



One of the crew's community service projects: Sonarman Scott Anderson arranging books in the proper order under the watchful eye of Lane Memorial Director Catherine Redden.



USS Hampton Day, August 4, 1996 Tuck Field Lobster Clambake



First in line, Commander Chris Stathos and Committeeman Buck, receive lobsters from Al's Seafood.



Welcoming Committee helper Karen Anderson displays cakes from Shop 'N Save, as arranged by Clambake Chairperson, Bonnie Searle.



Visit by USS Hampton crew takes off

By Susan Morse
RCN Staff

THE BIGGEST yearly event outside of the Seafood Festival brought the community together in a way officials say they wish they could do every year.

The welcoming of the crew members of the USS Hampton this weekend brought town officials, police and fire employees, and community members together for a culminating event at Tuck Field Sunday afternoon.

More than 60 of the submarine's crew were treated to a lobster/clam bake, and then by all accounts were beaten in at least two softball games by teams of police and fire employees.

"It was absolutely no doubt a good morale booster for the crew," Selectman Arthur Moody said.

"It was really great," Moody said. "You had crew members taking off their polo shirts and exchanging them for our T-shirts."

Interaction draws praise

USS Hampton T-shirts featuring a picture of the submarine and the words "Live Free or Die" were sold for \$10 at McDormands last week and then brought to the clam bake.

Shirts were also being traded in an after-event party held at the Hampton Post 35 American Legion Hall, Commander Joe Kutt said.

Kutt owns Joe's Meat Shoppe in North Hampton.

"The best part of the night was everyone swapping shirts," Kutt said. "They wanted the (Joe's) shirts that said, 'You Can't Beat Our Meat.' All of the local guys wanted the nice polo shirts (the sailors) were given by the town of Hampton, Virginia."

It was a minimum of 20 trades, Kutt said. "We walked away with all the USS Hampton shirts and they walked away with all the local polo, fire and Joe's shirts."

"We had a great camaraderie," he said. "They

said no one had treated them as nice as the town of Hampton."

Kutt said he put the last sailors on the bus going back to the USS Hampton at 9:15 Sunday night.

"They sent down another van at 9:45 p.m. to make another sweep," said Kutt, but everyone had made it back to the ship by then.

Former submariner Robert Griffin of 7th Street, whose son Brett is serving on the USS Hampton, said he got involved in the welcoming committee to make sure crew members were given a good time along with their community service projects.

I wanted to get the committee to steer in a different direction," said Griffin.

The USS Hampton, named for the Hamptons in New Hampshire, Virginia, South Carolina and Iowa docked at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for the weekend.

Besides having the sub's crewmen visit Hampton, residents had a chance to take tours of the fast-attack nuclear submarine during the weekend.

A letter from the USS Hampton



To the great citizens of Hampton:

It was an honor and a pleasure to spend a long weekend in the fine town of Hampton, New Hampshire. Everyone went out of their way to make me and my crew feel special and welcome. "USS Hampton Day 1996" was a tremendous experience for all of us. Please accept our heartfelt thanks for making our visit something we will fondly remember for a long, long time!

There were many highlights during the visit: the Community Lobster Feast and Clambake; the Softball Challenge Games; homestyle cook-outs; the American Legion reception; commemorative pens and Christmas ornaments; and the many events in Hampton Beach made the trip a tremendous success. It was also our pleasure to tour more than 400 Hampton guests on the boat. We are proud to have you all onboard "Team Hampton!"

We look forward to future opportunities to strengthen the relationship we share with Hampton, NH, our namesake city to the North. If any of you should visit Norfolk (Virginia) in your travels, be sure to give us a call and stop by for a visit. We would be honored to see you.



Sincerely,

C. L. Stathos

Commander, United States Navy

Commander Officer



Cdr. Cris Stathos and Robert Brennan, Ex. Officer
inspected the 1991-96 USS HAMPTON display
in the Lane Library.

Atlantic News

[Photos courtesy of Foster's Daily Democrat, "Sandy" Buck, Tom Gillick, Budd Perry, Art Moody]

Special Donors to USS HAMPTON Day, 1996

- * John Dowd for arranging sizable donations to the Committee from:
Wheelabrator Technologies, Inc., Fisher Scientific International, via
Winthrop, Inc., and Waste Management, Inc. - Northeast.
- * Stephen Foss, President, Foss Manufacturing, Inc., for making a very large donation,
including a challenge matching amount.
- * Hampton Beach Improvement Company, Inc.
- * Underwood Engineers, Inc.
- * Holmes & Ells, Attorneys at Law
- * Loughlin & Wade, Attorneys at Law
- * Donahue, Tucker, Ciandella, Attorneys at Law
- * Shaines & McEachern Professional Association
- * Bank of New Hampshire
- * Hampton Beach Trailer Park, Inc.
- * Continental Cablevision of New England-Seacoast
- * Citizens Bank
- * John & Carolyn Payzant
- * Hampton Water Works Company
- * QA Technology Company, Inc.

PLUS many more in-kind and assistance support

**Town of Hampton
New Hampshire**

**TOWN WARRANT
&
TOWN BUDGET**

1997

**TOWN OF HAMPTON
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
1997**

TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hampton, in the County of Rockingham, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at eight thirty in the forenoon in the Dodge Gym at Winnacunnet High School on Saturday, March 15, 1997 for the first session of the Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot.

In accordance with the action in Article 14 in the 1996 Town Warrant (pursuant to RSA: 40:13) the second session of the Annual Meeting to elect officers by official ballot, to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on said official ballot, and to vote on all warrant articles from the first session by official ballot, shall be held on Tuesday, April 8, 1997 at seven o'clock in the forenoon at the Uptown Fire Station, 140 Winnacunnet Road. The polls will not close before eight o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1

To choose by non-partisan ballot: Two (2) Selectmen for Three Years; One (1) Tax Collector for Three Years; One (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for Three Years; Two (2) Library Trustees for Three Years; Two (2) Planning Board Members for Three Years; One (1) Planning Board member for One Year; One (1) Budget Committee Member for One (1) Year; Four (4) Budget Committee Members for Three Years; One (1) Cemetery Trustee for Three Years; Two (2) Zoning Board of Adjustment Members for Three Years.

ARTICLE 2

Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Hampton, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$30,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$40,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$50,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married at least for 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$16,000, or if married, a combined net income of less than \$23,000 and own assets not in excess of \$50,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

"Article XIV REGULATION OF ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

PURPOSE

It is the purpose and intent of this ordinance to protect the public health, safety, welfare and morals of the community, to promote the stability of property values, and impose restrictions upon those activities which pander to gross sexuality in a manner that would detract from the neighborhood, reputation of Hampton, increase crime and violence, and be contrary to the morals of the community. It is the intent of this ordinance that the regulations be utilized to prevent problems of blight and deterioration which accompany and are brought about by the concentration of sexually oriented businesses; and, the provisions of this ordinance have neither the purpose nor the effect of imposing limitation or restriction on the content of any communicative materials, including sexually oriented materials; and, it is not the intent nor effect of this article to restrict or deny access by adults to sexually oriented materials protected by the First Amendment, or to deny access by the distributors and exhibitors of sexually oriented entertainment to their intended market; and neither is it the intent nor effect of this ordinance to condone or legitimize the distribution of obscene material.

14.1 DEFINITIONS OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES

A sexually oriented business is any place of business at which any of the following activities are conducted:

- A. Adult Bookstore or Adult Video Store - a business that devotes more than 15% of the total display, shelf, rack, table, stand, or floor area, utilized for the display and sale of the following:
 - 1. Books, magazines, periodicals, or other printed material, or photographs, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, tapes, records, CD-ROMs, or other forms of visual or audio representations which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1; or,
 - 2. Instruments, devices, or paraphernalia which are designed for use in connection with "sexual conduct" as defined in R.S.A. 571-B:1, other than birth control devices.
- B. Adult Motion Picture Theater - An establishment with a capacity of five or more persons, where for any form of consideration, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides or similar photographic reproductions are shown;

- C. and, in which a substantial portion of the total presentation time is devoted to the showing of material which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1, for observation by patrons.
- D. Adult Motion Picture Arcade - Any place to which the public is permitted or invited wherein coin or slug operated or electronically electrically or mechanically controlled still or motion picture machines, projectors, or other images-producing devices are maintained to show images to five or fewer persons per machine at any one time, in which a portion of the total presentation time of the images so displayed is devoted to the showing of material which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- E. Adult Drive-In Theater - An open lot or part thereof, with appurtenant facilities, devoted primarily to the presentation of motion pictures, films, theatrical productions, and other forms of visual productions, for any form of consideration to persons in motor vehicles or on outdoor seats, in which a substantial portion of the total presentation time being presented for observation by patrons is devoted to the showing of material which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- F. Adult Cabaret - A nightclub, bar, restaurant, or similar establishment which during a portion of the total presentation time features live performances which meet the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1, and/or feature films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, or other photographic reproductions, a portion of the presentation time of which is devoted to showing of material which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- G. Adult Motel - A motel or similar establishment offering public accommodations for any form of consideration which provides patrons with closed circuit television transmissions, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, or other photographic reproductions, a substantial portion of the total presentation time of which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis upon the depiction or description of materials which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- H. Adult Theater - A theater, concert hall, auditorium, or similar establishment either indoor or outdoor in nature, which for any form of consideration, regularly features live performances, a substantial portion of

the total presentation time of which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on activities which meets the definition of “harmful to minors” and/or “sexual conduct” as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.

- I. Nude Model Studio - A place where a person who appears in a state of nudity or displays male genitals in a state of sexual arousal and/or the vulva or more intimate parts of the female genitals and is observed, sketched, drawn, painted, sculptured, photographed, or similarly depicted by other persons who pay money or any form of consideration or such display is characterized by an emphasis on activities which meets the definition of “harmful to minors” and/or “sexual conduct” as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- J. Sexual Encounter Center - A business or commercial enterprise that as one of its primary business purposes, offers for any form of consideration (A) physical contact in the form of wrestling or tumbling between persons of the opposite sex; or (B) activities between male and female persons and/or persons of the same sex when one or more persons is in the state of nudity; or where the activities in (A) or (B) is characterized by an emphasis on activities which meets the definition of “harmful to minors” and/or “sexual conduct” as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.

14.2 **ALLOWED LOCATION AND LOCATION RESTRICTIONS OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES**

Sexually Oriented Businesses, as defined above shall be permitted only in the Industrial Zone (I) by Special Permit and Site Plan Review and provided that all other regulations, requirements, and restrictions for the zone in which the sexually oriented business is to be located are met; and, no sexually oriented business shall be permitted within 1000 feet of another existing sexually oriented business or one for which a building permit has been applied for; and, no sexually oriented business shall be permitted within 750 feet of any other zoning district; and,

No sexually oriented business shall be permitted within 1000 feet of any church; place of worship; parish house; convent; public, parochial, or private school; kindergarten; state approved day care center; elderly housing or public sports/recreation parks; and, no sexually oriented business shall be established within 750 feet of the Town boundaries; and no sexually oriented business shall be permitted within a building, premise, structure or other facility that contains a sexually oriented business as defined in paragraphs A through I above and,

No sexually oriented business shall be permitted within 750 feet of Exeter Road, Rte. 101, Rte. 1 and Rte. 1A which are considered to be the gateway roads into the Town of Hampton.

14.3 MEASURE OF DISTANCE

The distance between any two sexually oriented businesses shall be measured in a straight line, without regard to intervening structures, from the closest exterior structural wall or temporary or permanent physical divider of each business.

14.4 ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS

The Planning Board is empowered hereunder to review and approve permit applications for sexually oriented businesses and impose reasonable restrictions for buffering, outdoor lighting, parking, adequate ingress and egress from the site off of and onto public roads, pedestrian movement, and to provide for appropriate landscaping and building aesthetics in the site plan review."

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

DEFINITIONS: Article I Section 1.6

"Parking Lot - Excluding personal use, any commercial (for pay) off street, ground level open area used for temporary storage of motor vehicles.

Parking Area - Excluding personal use, any commercial (for pay) public or private area, under or outside of a building or structure, designed and used for parking motor vehicles including parking lots, garages, private driveways and legally designated areas of public street."

AND

"ARTICLE III 3.26a

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	R	R	R	X"

AND

ARTICLE VI

"6.4 Parking Lots and/or Parking Areas

- 6.4.1 Parking Lots and/or Parking Area shall conform to all Zoning Regulations.
- 6.4.2 Parking lots and/or Parking Areas shall have a minimum 9' x 18' space for each vehicle permitted plus approved ingress and egress.
- 6.4.3 If applicable each Parking Lot and/or Parking Area shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

- 6.4.4 At the entrance, each Parking Lot and/or Parking Area shall post a laminated copy of approval, arrangement and capacity for public inspection.
- 6.4.5 Any Parking Lot and/or Parking Area plan, with a capacity of 25 (twenty-five) or more parking spaces, shall be presented to the Planning Board with a certified plan.
- 6.4.6 Any existing Parking Lots and/or Parking Area shall not be required to come into the Planning Board for use approval, but within 120 days of the ballot vote all existing Parking Lots and/or Parking Areas shall be required to petition the Planning Board for approval of arrangement and capacity limitations.
- 6.4.7 **PENALTY**
Any Parking Lot and/or Parking Area in violation of the number of approved vehicles or the arrangement is subject to a penalty.
- 6.4.7.a Any Parking Lot and/or Parking Area in violation of Article 6.4.2, 6.4.4 and 6.4.6 shall be penalized \$25.00 per day per violation.
- 6.4.7.b Any Parking Lot and/or Parking Area having more than two (2) violations in any 6 month period (of 6.4.2, 6.4.4 and 6.4.6) shall be issued a Cease and Desist Order.”

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Article I Section 1.6 DEFINITION

“Dealer - A person who offers, onsite for sale or trade, 3 or more new or used registered or unregistered motor vehicles, off highway recreational vehicle

(OHRV), utility vehicles, trailers, recreational vehicle (RV's), boats, or construction equipment for wholesale or retail sales shall be considered a dealer and subject to Site Plan Review Regulations.”

AND

“Article XIII Motor Vehicle Sales Zoning Requirements

State of New Hampshire Dealer's License requirements may be imposed on the Dealer.

All dealerships shall conform to the following requirements:

- 1. Each lot shall be approved for only one (1) dealer.
- 2. Each dealer shall have a minimum one half acre (21,780 square feet) lot.
- 3. Each dealer shall have one structure that shall have a minimum of 1,200 square feet and must conform to all current zoning regulations.
- 4. Each dealer shall conform to a minimum side lot and back lot landscaped buffer strip.
- 5. No dealer shall be permitted from the south side of Rice Terrace South to the north side of Park Ave. on either side of Route 1 (Lafayette Road)."

AND

Article III

"Section 3.43 - Dealer

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	R	X	X	X"

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add to Article 1.6 Definitions:

"Garage: A structure, attached or detached, one story in construction used solely for the purpose of housing automobiles and/or yard equipment and the storage of household items.

Expanded Garage: A structure, attached or detached, more than one story in construction used for the purpose of housing automobiles, yard equipment, and/or the storage of household items, above which is contained habitable or potentially habitable space.

Footprint: The area on the ground encompassed by the outer most perimeter of a structure inclusive of the drip edge, decks, stairways, chimneys, HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning) equipment and any other appurtenance attached to the structure. See Article 4.5 and Footnote (25)."

AND

Amend Article IV 4.5 to read: "Minimum Setbacks (12, 13 and 25)".

AND

Amend Article IV to add Footnote (25) to read: " (25) In order to correctly determine structure placement for set back requirements."

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

1. Number Growth Management Ordinance, in the Zoning Ordinance, as
“Article 10.6”
2. In the first paragraph add a “s” to resident.
3. In numbered paragraph 3 of the section entitled Purpose, substitute the word “context” for the work contact so that it reads: “...within the context of the Town of Hampton Subdivision Regulations...”
4. In the section entitled Enactment, add the following new second paragraph:

“The construction of a single family house upon an existing lot of record without an accompanying subdivision of the property is specifically excluded from the provisions of this regulation.”

5. At the end of the fourth paragraph of the section entitled Applications, add the following sentence:

“When calculating the number of building permits under this provision, fractional results greater than one half shall be rounded to the next higher whole number.”

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

“Section 3.39.1 - Tower-antennas no higher than 65 feet used exclusively for Amateur Radio purposes.

RAA	RAA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P”

ARTICLE 9

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

“Article 1.4.2.1 Grant equitable waivers of dimensional requirements when the proof or provisions of RSA 674:33-a are met upon the discovery that a lot or other division of land, or structure thereupon, is in violation of a physical

layout or dimensional requirement imposed by the Zoning Ordinance. Such waivers shall not be applicable to property use violations.”

ARTICLE 10

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

“Article 10.1.1.1

- 1) Before a building permit is issued for a new dwelling unit the Town’s street number shall be clearly displayed. (2) An approved commercial chemical toilet shall be in place. Where there are several building lots in close proximity, an approved commercial chemical toilet may be shared jointly. (3) Front corner boundaries markers must be in and clearly identified.”

ARTICLE 11

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Article IV

“4.8.a Maximum amount of sealed surface allowed per residential lot in the Aquifer Protection Zone.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	G	I
25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%

4.8.b Maximum amount of sealed surface allowed per non-residential lot in the Aquifer Protection Zone.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	G	I
60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%”

ARTICLE 12

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

ARTICLE XII - CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY

12.1 **New Construction:** All Residential and Commercial units will require a Certificate of Occupancy to be issued by the Building Department prior to any person occupying a new structure.

12.1.1 Existing Units: No home, apartment, tenement, dwelling unit, hotel/motel unit, or other residential premises shall be let, rented, leased, or otherwise occupied for residential purposes, unless a Certificate of Occupancy per 12.1.2 has been issued by the Hampton Building Department to the owner of record of that property. All residential units without a year-round Certificate of Occupancy may be used on a year round basis only by the owner of record or his/her immediate family. (Amended 1995)

12.1.2 Certificate of Occupancy, Year Round or Seasonal: The Certificate of Occupancy will be designated "Year Round" or "Seasonal". All residential units leased between the dates of October 15 and May 1 will be designated "Year Round" and subject to all requirements of The State of New Hampshire Energy Code. All structures leased only between the dates of May 1 to October 15 will be designated "Seasonal" and not subject to the New Hampshire Energy Code.

12.2 Criteria: In considering and approving such applications, the primary concern of the Building Inspector is to preserve the public health, safety and welfare of owner and occupant. To this end, the approval of any application shall include appropriate conditions and safeguards with regard to the following:

12.2.1 Adequate construction to provide a safe structure and protection from the elements.

12.2.2 Adequate habitable living area to meet minimum Housing Standards.

12.2.3 Safe and adequate ingress and egress.

12.2.4 Proper installation and operation of the heating, plumbing, mechanical and electrical systems in accordance with the New Hampshire Energy Code and Town adopted BOCA Building Code per Article XI.

12.3 Application: The owner of record of a property may request a Certificate of Year Round Occupancy by filing an application provided by the Building Inspector.

After an on-site inspection, to insure that the premises conform to the required standards, the Certificate will be issued. This Certificate will have a life of ten years. To continue year-round occupancy for a subsequent ten-year term, a new inspection must be performed and a new Certificate issued. Certificates of Year Round Occupancy in force on the date of enactment of this ordinance will expire ten years from

the date the Certificate was issued. In order to continue year-round occupancy, an inspection must be performed and a new Certificate issued. (Amended 1994)

- 12.4 Revocation:** The Building Inspector may revoke any Certificate of Occupancy should the premises no longer conform to the requirements of the Ordinance, or to any State or Town health regulation. The notice of revocation must be mailed to the owner of record of the property by Certified Mail and posted at the front entrance of the premises. When the violation is abated the Certificate will be reissued, to expire on its original expiration date. (Amended 1993)

ARTICLE 13

On petition of 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton to see if the Town is in favor of the adoption of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance that expands by a total of two months (October 1st to June 15th instead of the present October 15th to May 1st) the period of the year that requires a building and life-safety Certificate of Year-Round Occupancy for rental of residential premises; that amends other sections of the Ordinance to reflect the new inclusion dates; and that defines "immediate family" for the purposes of this section, so that Article XII, CERTIFICATES OF YEAR-ROUND OCCUPANCY, Section 1 will read as follows:

"Article 12.1 Occupancy Permits for Existing Units - No home, apartment, tenement, dwelling unit, hotel/motel unit, or other residential premises shall be let, rented, leased, or otherwise be permitted to be occupied for residential purposes between the period October 1st of any year to June 15th of the following year, unless a Certificate of year-round Occupancy has been issued by the Building Inspector to the owner of record of that property. All residential units without a year-round Certificate of Occupancy may be used on a year-round basis only by the owner of record or by the owner's immediate family, to include parents, children and/or siblings."

Not Recommended by the Planning Board

ARTICLE 14

NOW COME the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Hampton and petition the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to NH RSA 675:4, to submit the following amendment to the Town of Hampton Zoning Ordinance to the voters at the 1997 Town Meeting:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance to add Section 3:43 as follows:

“3.4.4 Elderly Housing, including, but not limited to, state or federally subsidized or encouraged projects providing residential living facilities and/or congregate care, with accessory nursing or intermediate care facilities, limited to occupancy by persons fifty-five (55) years of age or older.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	R	R	X	X	X	*	R

*By conditional use permit issued by the Town of Hampton Planning Board after a finding that the elderly housing use is: a) suited for the proposed site; and b) will not be detrimental to the use for industrial purposes of abutting property in the I zone.

And

To amend Article IV, Dimensional Requirements, to provide as follows regarding Elderly Housing as described in Section 3.4.4:

The minimal dimensional requirements for elderly housing projects shall be those required in the zone where the project is located; provided, however, that there shall be no maximum number of dwelling units per structure and the minimum lot area per dwelling unit shall be 1500 sq. ft.”

The undersigned further grant authority to Francis X. McNeil, as lead petitioner, to act on their behalf to withdraw this Petition at any time prior to the printing of the official ballot if the Town of Hampton Planning Board acts to sponsor this amendment or one which in the sole judgement of the lead petitioner meets the objective of this amendment.

Not Recommended by the Planning Board

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$977,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, permit applications, land acquisitions, and/or easements and for the construction of sewerage facilities recommended in the Town's 201 Facilities Planning Study for the upgrade of the wastewater treatment plant, requirements which are contained in the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), and will qualify the Town for Federal and State Funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds and Notes not to exceed \$977,000 under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to

take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of Hampton; additionally to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486:14 established for this purpose, and to allow the selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal and State governments and pass any vote relating thereto. Any income derived from temporary investment of the bond proceeds shall be returned to the General Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 16

On petition of Jason Page and at least twenty-five registered voters of the Town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, permit applications, land acquisitions, and/or easements and for the construction of sewerage facilities recommended in the Town's 201 Facilities Plan for the Drakeside Road Area Sewers, requirements which are contained in the Federal Area Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), and will qualify the Town for Federal and State Funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds and Notes not to exceed \$750,000 under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of Hampton; additionally to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486:14 established for this purpose, and to allow the selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal and State governments and pass any vote relating thereto. Any income derived from temporary investment of the bond proceeds shall be returned to the General Fund. The Tax Rate Impact would be .047 dollars per thousand of valuation. (Petitioned Article)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an amount up to \$185,000 to be used to exercise an existing purchase option to acquire 19 +/- acres of land located to the North of White's Lane and to the East of Mill Road, shown on Hampton Tax Map 0092, Lot 0001. The intent is to use this land for conservation and passive recreation (non-motorized) purposes. Such

sum to be raised by the issuance of bonds or notes for a three year period under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended), with the details of the issuance, including interest rate, to be left up to the Board of Selectmen in the best interest of the Town.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$245,000 to reconstruct Highland Avenue by excavating the existing hot-topped roadway, both sidewalks and existing drainage, and rebuild same, taking such land by eminent domain as is necessary, for the approximate 1/4 mile long road that runs from Ocean Boulevard westerly to Brown Avenue, such sum to be raised by the issuance of five-year Serial Bonds or Notes in compliance with the procedures of the Municipal Finance Act and with the details of the issuance being left to the discretion of the Selectmen.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town of Hampton raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth herein, totaling \$14,577,891? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$14,675,853, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Hampton or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 20

On petition of Angelo Zappala, and at least 25 legal voters to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 for the purpose of constructing a seawall that will stabilize an existing shoreline in the Town along the south side of the Hampton Harbor Inlet.

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$122,000 for the purchase of one ambulance. Such sum to be financed through the issuance of a bond or note for a period of three years under and in compliance with provision of the Municipal Finance Act (NH AS 33:1 et seq. as amended). The two ambulances replaced in 1996 and 1997 will be sold or traded.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate forty-eight thousand nine hundred and twenty five dollars (\$48,925) for the purpose of taking aerial photographs, adding buildings, and linking to digital database. In addition, topography and various overlay themes will be added. This is the second installment of a four year GIS (Geographical Information Systems) program totaling approximately \$125,000.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 23

On petition of the Lane Memorial Library Board of Trustees and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,487 to continue the position of Reference/Internet Librarian at the Lane Memorial Library, begun by a vote of 1996 Town Meeting. Although the position was explained and approved at 1996 Town Meeting to be a permanent, full-time position, a clarification was requested by this year's Budget Committee. This position, which pays \$35,000 and benefits, is a 40 hour a week technologically skilled, professional, permanent position.

Explanation: The Library has been attempting to add a full-time professional reference librarian since 1985. After several years of cutting it from the budget, the Budget Committee told us to put the position in a warrant article. We did so last year.

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 24

To raise and appropriate the sum of \$39,402.00 for one concession stand/bathroom facility located at the Landfill. These prices will include excavation, concrete walls, water source, building materials, steel doors, plumbing, electrical, inside concession equipment, labor and security. It also will include sewer in some form per instruction from the Selectmen.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 25

To raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,462.00 for one concession stand/bathroom facility located at Eaton Park. These prices will include excavation, concrete walls, water source, sewer connection, building materials, steel doors, plumbing, electrical, inside concession equipment, labor and security.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,556 to fund the cost items relating to the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 633 salaries and benefits for 1997, such sum representing the additional salaries and benefits contained in a collective bargaining agreement dated February, 1997 between the Town of Hampton by its Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local #633 (Clerical/Police Dispatchers/P.W. Foremen) pursuant to N.H. RSA 273-A.

1998: \$4,923 over the amount for 1997.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of replacing, upgrading, and modifying our existing computer system and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in this fund. Upon passage of this article an MIS (Management Information Systems) committee will be set up to recommend future withdrawals from this fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$22,000 for the purpose of purchasing an inflatable water rescue craft and accessories for the fire department, the sum of which may be reduced by private donations.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 29

On petition of Ann W. Kaiser and others, to see if the Town will vote to implement a pay-as-you-throw system of trash disposal, which would defray some of the expense of rubbish hauling. This would require residential properties and businesses that do not already pay for trash removal through the use of private haulers to purchase special trash bags in which to place their ordinary trash, and tags for larger, but still legal trash. Exempted from this pay-as-you-use would be the annual leaf pick-up, Christmas tree pick-up, and spring clean-up. For the start-up of this program, we request the Town to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000. Rules governing these pick-ups, and for the pay-as you-throw system, will be devised by a five-member committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen . If approved, this system would start no later than January 1, 1998. (On petition)

Justification:

- Rubbish disposal gets costlier every year.
- Everyone who pays property taxes is already paying for recycling, whether or not they recycle. The only cost which can be reduced is the cost of hauling/tipping.
- Some people & businesses are paying twice now: through both taxes and the use of private haulers.
- The town is revising its recycling ordinance and is considering mandatory recycling.
- Pay-as-you-use is a way of encouraging recycling without the negative aspects of mandatory recycling, such as enforcement and fines.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 30

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of conducting a space needs assessment and subsequent design of an addition to Fire Station Two.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 31

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate-only the sum of \$16,700 to be deposited in the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund, the interest from which will be withdrawn annually and deposited into the Town's General Fund as an offset to the amount appropriated for the maintenance of the cemeteries. This appropriation will not affect the 1997 Town Tax Rate.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 32

On petition of Vivianne Marcotte and the Conservation Commission and 25 or more registered voters of the town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to raise \$15,000 and appropriate \$30,000 to carry out the culvert replacement and salt marsh restoration work at the end of Landing Road in the marsh along Route 101. The New Hampshire Fish and Game, Ducks Unlimited, the Gulf of Maine Council and Michael Morrison of Mosquito Control Management services will contribute \$15,000 matching grant monies for a total of \$30,000 restoration project. The town's Department of Public Works; labor and the donation of the use of a specialized marsh vehicle needed to accomplish this restoration will be used to offset the Town's \$15,000 appropriation. To this extent, the difference will be returned to the general fund.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

ARTICLE 33

To see if the Town will appropriate only \$45,000 or 20% of the gross lease and rental from the town's parking areas located within the Hampton Village District for the purpose of preparing a master plan for infrastructure repairs (\$5000), install donated basketball hoops (\$2,000) and to install drainage, granite curbing and sidewalks on Church Street. (\$38,000). This appropriation will not effect the 1997 Town Tax Rate. (By Petition)

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 34

On petition of Ellen M. Lavin and 30 other registered voters of the Town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000) for the salary of the Town Treasurer of the Town of Hampton.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

ARTICLE 35

On petition of the Lane Memorial Library Board of Trustees and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to purchase computer equipment for the Lane Memorial Library to upgrade and supplement the Library's existing network of computers, and to provide additional public assess workstations that provide users with free access to a wide variety of software and to the Internet.

**Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Not Recommended by the Budget Committee**

ARTICLE 36

On petition of Richard Gibbons, 102 Mace Road, Hampton, NH and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: to see if the Town will vote to support the Hampton Christmas Parade and related activities and appropriate the sum of two thousand, five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) to help defray the expense of the 1997 events. Said funds to be paid to the Hampton Beach Area Chamber of Commerce.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

ARTICLE 37

Petition to place the following question on the Official Ballot for Town Meeting 1997, the wording of such question being dictated by RSA 289:6-II. "Shall we discontinue the Board of Cemetery Trustees by delegating their duties and responsibilities to the Town Manager?" (By Petition)

ARTICLE 38

Are you in favor of revoking the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund of approximately \$162,000 to benefit the property tax rate in 1997?

ARTICLE 39

Are you in favor of rescinding membership in the RSA 149-M solid-waste planning district that was set up in 1987 (Article 36) to draft an agreement establishing an RSA 53-B solid-waste operating district, which has been accomplished with the town's membership therein being voted in 1988 (Article 17)?

ARTICLE 40

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 16 of the Hampton Town Ordinance Tattooing, Branding and Body Piercing by adding Sec. 16:204 Definition "Body Piercing" means the act of penetrating the skin, excluding the lobes and outer perimeter of the ear, to make, generally permanent in nature, a hole, mark or scar.

ARTICLE 41

To see if the Town will allow the Selectmen to permit the design and construction of a small gazebo in Marelli Park, the total cost to be defrayed by private contributions. No trees are to be removed.

ARTICLE 42

To see if the Town will vote to rescind by a two-thirds vote (\$200,000) of the authorization of the 1995 Annual Town Meeting (Article 13) for the Board of Selectmen to issue bonds or notes in borrowing a sum not to exceed \$4,986,000 for expenses related to the closure of the Municipal Landfill, a project that nears completion without the need of said \$200,000.00.

ARTICLE 43

On petition of Dean Savastano and 24 or more other legal voters of the Town, to see if the Town will vote to remove two restrictions in the Town Deed dated March 10, 1986, on the lot at 735 Ocean Boulevard (Tax Map 223, Lot 076) that prohibit subdivision and the placement of more than one single-family house on the deeded premises (which extends from Ocean Boulevard to King's Highway), such vote meaning and intending to remove the above two restriction from deed restriction paragraph number 4 only insofar as to allow said lot to be subdivided into a maximum of two single-family house lots, in conformance with both of said lot's abutters, and subject to receiving all regulatory approvals pursuant to Town Ordinances and Regulations. An affirmative vote will authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute and record notice of this action at the Rockingham Registry of Deeds. (This lot was formerly leased by the Town and the restrictions were imposed by Section 5 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held on May 11, 1982, which meeting voted to allow the selling of such leased land.) (By Petition)

ARTICLE 44

To see if the Town will vote to abandon all right, title and interest in a certain parcel of Town property laid out as a proposed 40 foot street running northerly from the cul de sac of Tower Drive to the land now or formerly of The Wickes Corporation on a plan titled "Tower Drive, Hampton, NH Paul F. Leary, Subdivider, June 25, 1955." (Recorded October 13, 1955.) Said proposed street to be discontinued and deeded as "Lot A" to Peter J. Moulton and "Lot B" to Norman Stanwood (as shown on "Lot Line Adjustment Plan," E. J. Cote & Associates, Inc., July 1994), for the sole purpose of becoming a part of the abutting properties and not for the creation of a new building lot or lots. (By petition)

ARTICLE 45

On the petition of the Lane Memorial Library Board of Trustees and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d authorizing the library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the library trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or the library trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property.

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BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF _____ HAMPTON _____ N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1997 to December 31, 1998 or
for Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Date FEBRUARY 13, 1997

Thomas Higgins

Jane E. Cameron

[Signature]

Scott Thundersall

Ellen Collette

[Signature]

Arthur Leonard

Carol M. Hollingworth

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Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RS# 31-4)	Harr. Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DMA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTED'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139 Executive			74,360	74,377	97,398		97,193	205
4140-4149 Election, Registration & Vital Statistics			120,438	118,532	125,958		131,173	
4150-4151 Financial Administration	27		439,812	408,930	396,339		396,261	
4152 Revaluation of Property								
4153 Legal Expense			95,500	114,450	123,500		123,500	
4155-4159 Personnel Administration			460,111	433,643	506,325		507,085	
4191-4193 Planning & Zoning			30,555	28,943	33,161		43,961	
4194 General Government Buildings			48,033	44,373	51,350		51,350	
4195 Cemeteries	33		77,974	76,862	Passed	53,448	53,556	
4196 Insurance			1,190,510	1,137,606	1,336,851		1,328,010	8,841
4197 Advertising & Regional Assoc.								
4199 other General Government			50,750	47,533	51,500		48,000	3,500
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214 Police			2,682,062	2,664,998	2,723,585		2,730,067	
4215-4219 Ambulance								
4220-4229 Fire			2,383,642	2,360,434	2,414,149		2,407,625	6,524
4240-4249 Building Inspection			117,637	116,959	133,259		115,745	17,514
4290-4298 Emergency Management			500	549	500		500	
4299 other Public Safety (including Communications)			24,500	18,153	20,500		20,500	
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311-4312 Administration & Highways & Streets			1,379,095	1,679,706	1,576,742		1,538,210	38,532
4313 Bridges								
4316-4319 Street Lighting & Other			210,940	210,884	156,800		156,800	

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321-4323 Administration & Solid Waste Collection			1,650,240	1,578,927	1,629,230		1,655,662	
4324-4325 Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup			764,851	701,219	753,571		754,394	
4326-4329 Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other			634,650	661,414	122,775		122,775	
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331-4332 Administration & Water Services								
4335-4339 Water Treatment, Conservation & Other								
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352 Administration & Generation								
4353 Purchase Costs								
4354 Electric Equipment Maintenance								
4355-4359 Other Electric Costs								
	HEALTH							
4411-4414 Administration & Pest Control			89,501	83,664	91,171		91,171	
4415-4419 Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	29		87,322	87,321	84,321		90,905	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442 Administration & Direct Assistance			94,437	83,455	105,121		105,121	
4444 Intergov. Welfare Payments								
4445-4449 Vendor Payments & Other								
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529 Parks & Recreation	28		195,292	180,202	223,554		224,840	
4550-4559 Library	25030		496,387	488,331	passed	543,560	492,747	

4583 Patriotic Purposes		Warr Art. #	1,800	1,637	1,200		1,200	
Acct No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS				SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
			Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		400	286	500		500	
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources		1,425	1,425	3,960		3,960	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-2	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING							
4651-9	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT						1	
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		615,624	615,624	754,714		754,714	
4712	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		483,824	483,824	480,365		480,365	
4725	Interest on TAMs		100,000	1,543	100,000		50,000	50,000
4790-4799	Other Debt Service	24	25,769	25,769				
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land & Improvements	16&26	192,400	189,407				
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	17&20	135,775	135,493				
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improv.Other Than Buildings	19&21	86,000	86,000				
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund	23	18,275	18,275				
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sever-							
	Water-							
	Electric-							

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maint. Trust Fund)							
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency Funds							
	SUBTOTAL 1		15,060,391	14,960,748	14,098,399	597,008	14,577,891	125,194

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Acct No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Varr Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DBA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
GIS		22			48,925		48,925	
	Reference/Internet Libr	23				45,487	45,487	
	Concession stand/L.fill	24			39,402		39,402	
	concession stand/Park	25			35,462		35,462	
	Teamsters/CBA	26			33,556		33,556	
	SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended cont. next pg.		XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXXXX

special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3.VI, as 1) petitioned warrant articles; 2) an article whose appropriation is raised by bonds or notes; 3) an article which calls for an appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; and 4) any article designated on the warrant as a special article or as nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	WWTP Upgrade	15			977,000		977,000	
	Drakeside sewer	16			750,000		750,000	
	White's Lane land purchase	17			185,000		185,000	
	Highland Ave. Reconstruction	18			245,000		245,000	
	Sea Wall Construction	20				125,000		125,000
	SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended cont.		XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXXXX

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maint. Trust Fund)							
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency Funds							
SUBTOTAL 1								

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Rescue Craft	28			22,000		22,000	
	Bag & Tag	29			20,000			20,000
	Fire Station Study	30			20,000		20,000	
	Salt Marsh Restor.	32			30,000		30,000	
	Treasurer Salary	34			14,000		14,000	
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended					XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Ambulance	21			122,000		122,000	
	Capital Reserve-Computers	27			30,000		30,000	
	Cemetery Burial	31			16,700		16,700	
	Beach Infrastructure Fund	33			45,000		45,000	
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended					XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	2,370,700	XXXXXXXXXX

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DMA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maint. Trust Fund)							
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency funds							
	SUBTOTAL 1							

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Acct No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31-4)	Harr Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DBA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR			BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED		RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	
	Library Computer Equip.	35								
	Christmas Parade	36			2,500			2,500		10,000
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	265,845				291,332	XXXXXXXXXX

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended					XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes		590	590	500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		380,125	290,969	173,500
	Inventory Penalties				
	LICENSES,PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		18,600	18,262	18,600
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1,447,000	1,784,750	1,650,500
3230	Building Permits		100,000	106,489	95,000
3290	Other Licenses,Permits & Fees		7,400	8,403	7,500
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			38,056	
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		169,644	169,644	169,644
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution				
3353	Highway Block Grant		170,602	170,602	187,406
3354	Water Pollution Grant		137,565	184,762	703,556
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		870	6,554	15,000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		30,000	31,314	30,000
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		784,747	892,614	908,099
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		71,932	72,520	74,460
3502	Interest on Investments		135,000	198,709	160,000
3503-3509	Other		501,598	575,098	362,022
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3912	Special Revenue Funds		18,275	18,276	16,700

3912 Special Revenue Funds					
Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
3913 Capital Projects Fund					
3914 Enterprise Fund					
Sewer - (Offset)					
Water - (Offset)					
Electric - (Offset)					
3915 Capital Reserve Fund					
3916 Trust & Agency Funds			813,000	914,873	800,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934 Proc.from Long Term Bonds & Notes			262,400	262,400	2,279,000
Amounts Voted From "Surplus"			XXXXXXXXXX		
"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXXXX
TOTAL REVENUES			5,049,348	5,744,884	7,651,487

BUDGET SUMMARY

SELECTMEN

BUDGET COMMITTEE

SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 4)	14,098,399	14,577,891
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" warrant articles (from page 4)	265,845	291,332
SUBTOTAL 3 Special warrant articles as defined by Law (from page 4)	2,370,700	2,370,700
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	16,734,944	17,239,923
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes) (from above)	7,651,487	7,651,487
Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	9,083,457	9,588,436

HELP! We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. No.	W.A. No.	Amount		Acct.No.	W.A. No.	Amount

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In the ongoing process of protecting our wetlands and natural resources, our Commission conducted its public hearings on the fourth Tuesday of every month in the Town Offices. We reviewed fifteen state wetlands applications, four special permit applications, a number of Planning Board referrals, many violations, and conducted site inspection in all circumstances. Our projects have covered many aspects of the Town's needs.

With the help of grant monies received from the Office of State Planning, the Drakeside Road culvert has been replaced. This correction will enable the proper tidal flow in that marsh and restore its vitality. We are in the process of applying for additional grant monies to continue our Salt Marsh Restoration Program. Healthy salt marshes and nesting tree swallows are a natural mosquito control. Therefore we have continued to add bird houses to our marshes to attract these mosquito eating birds. Hopefully the additions and corrections to our Wetlands Ordinance that we proposed will be adopted.

The land abutting the James House property was purchased. Since this land is to be used for both conservation and recreation purposes, we are working with Recreation to present a proposal that will meet the Town's needs.

Ms. Natalie Bushold has generously donated over 2 acres of land to our Commission for conservation. We have negotiated and accepted three conservation easements, one off Exeter Road, one off Drakeside Road, and a third in the Meadow Pond area. We are pleased to have been able to work with these developers to help meet our mutual goals. There are now forty individual plots in our Victory Garden off Barbour Road. One garden's harvest was donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Salvation Army.

Together with the newly formed Heritage Commission we are in the process of preserving the only remaining blacksmith shop in Hampton. An open house is scheduled at the site on Barbour Road in the Spring.

In conjunction with the surrounding Towns, we hosted the Forest Society for the presentation of seminars in the use of conservation easements in estate planning. We continue to offer information and assistance in this regard. We are also beginning to offer informative programs on our cable channel.

As in the past we offered a partial scholarship to Camp Carpenter, a conservation camp. Unfortunately no interested young conservationist took advantage of this opportunity. The scholarship will be offered again this year.

In an effort to keep our Town clean and healthy, we held our first Town Clean-Up Day in the Spring of 1996. There was great response to this undertaking. Our second will be held in April, 1997. We have also been working with the Public Works Department in an effort to increase participation in recycling through regulation and education.

Our Commission has been an active one thanks to all the time and effort given by our Commissioners, Betty Callanan, Dan Gangai, Bonnie Thimble, Peter Tilton, Alberta True, Dave Weber, alternates Ellen Goethel, Peter Kowalski, Ken Sheffert, and our secretary Sue Launi. We look forward to working with all town officials in the coming year in pursuit of our goals.

Vivianne G. Marcotte
Chairperson

Dave Weber displays his collection of duck decoys and explains decoy carving techniques during the 1996 Opening Day at the Tuck Museum. Photo: Isabel Grasso



Perambulating Town bounds with North Hampton Selectman, Post Road, February, 1996. Photo by Mary-Louise Woolsey

PLANNING BOARD

1996 was a year of change for the Board. After the Annual Town Meeting, the Board welcomed Robert Viviano, Carolyn Payzant and the Growth Management Ordinance. Through reorganization Fred Pineo was elected Chairman, Peter Olney, Vice Chairman and Carolyn Payzant, Clerk. The Selectmen's representative was Arthur Moody. Also in attendance was Steve Bird from the Rockingham Planning Commission and alternately Don Graves and Matt Taylor from the Building Inspectors' office.

As required, the Growth Management Oversight Committee gave their annual recommendation and counseled that the Board not take any action to change or rescind the Ordinance at this time

In October the Board appointed Curtis McCrady, Chairman of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, as an Alternate to the Board. His appointment has given the Board a broader understanding of the Zoning Ordinance which has greatly assisted the Planning Board in its decisions.

Due to career opportunities, the Board accepted, in November, with deep regret, the resignation of Mr. Pineo. The Board hopes he will continue working on special projects that would benefit the Town with his expertise. During the Board's second reorganization Carolyn Payzant was elected Chairman and Keith Lessard, Clerk. The Board also appointed Curtis McCrady to fill Mr. Pineo's position until the election in April of 1997.

The following is reflective of the decisions rendered for the year 1996:

SUBDIVISIONS: Seven applications were approved, adding 13 lots to the tax rolls.

LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS: Six minor lot line adjustment were approved.

SITE PLAN REVIEW: Five Site Plan Reviews were approved, of significant interest were: an addition to the Sacred Heart School and an addition to Seacoast Health Center to build a 40 unit Alzheimer's Care Facility.

CONDOMINIUM CONVERSIONS: One conversion of an existing duplex was approved.

SPECIAL PERMIT: Three Special Permits were granted.

USE CHANGES: Seven Use Changes were approved.

In addition, work continues on Subcommittees dealing with: the Master Plan under the direction of Mr. Olney; Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) under the direction of Mr. Pineo; and zoning review of the Business Seasonal (BS) Zone and reformation of the Subdivision Regulations under Mrs. Payzant.

The Planning Board will continue to hold its regular meetings in the Selectmen's Room on the first and third Wednesday evening of each month. The Board welcomes all to attend or to view its proceedings on Channel 58.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Payzant, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

By adopting Article 10 in the 1996 Town Warrant, the citizens of Hampton undertook a major shift in their philosophy of how the Zoning Ordinance is administered. Prior to this change, members and alternates of the Zoning Board were appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Article 10 provided for the direct election of members and, by statutory provision, appointment of alternates by the Zoning Board itself.

Upon advice from counsel, it was also deemed expedient for us to include on the same ballot the two seats effected by this change. If Article 10 passed as expected, implementation would be immediate rather than a year hence, clearly following the consensus of the 1995 meeting. Members Richard True and Curtis McCrady were elected.

In an effort to improve communication between the Zoning Board and Planning Boards, the Zoning Board chairman accepted the position of alternate on the Planning Board. Upon the resignation of the Planning Board chairman and the subsequent reorganization, the Zoning Board chairman was appointed a member of the Planning Board to complete the vacated term expiring in 1997.

This enhanced relationship between two land use Boards with common goals and many inter-related functions has, I believe, been of benefit to both. As available land diminishes and development pressures increase, this working relationship is vital to the orderly expansion of housing within the Town.

The votes of the Zoning Board, in most cases, tend to please some and displease others. Such results are inherent in the function of the Board, as in this paraphrase of the statutory language: The Board of Adjustment has authority to act in three categories: Appeals from Administrative Decisions, Approval of Special Exceptions and Grants of Variances.

In short, the Zoning Board would not exist if petitioners did not feel there was either a violation of the ordinance or were seeking some relaxation of or exception to the ordinance that is frequently viewed quite the opposite by another land owner. While the Legislature laid down specific guidelines for the functions of the Board, it remained notably silent on how to satisfy all of the parties involved. We suspect that it concluded there was no solution.

Sincerely,

Curtis G. McCrady, Chairman

HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Highway Safety Act of 1996 makes Federal Agencies responsible for the implementation of a National Highway Safety program, but recognizes the primary and historic responsibility of state and local governments for the safe use of their road and street systems. The Act also provides financial assistance for state and local agencies on a matching basis for implementing the Federal Highway Safety Standards. The purpose of the funding is to encourage and develop new or expanded safety programs. It is an incentive and an opportunity to obtain assistance in reaching higher levels of successful safety efforts.

In 1967 the New Hampshire Legislature created the Highway Safety Agency, under the direction of the Governor, to implement a statewide program designed to reduce traffic crashes and the resulting deaths, injuries and property damage. This legislation also provided that "the towns and cities are hereby authorized to establish highway safety programs. Town and cities implementing highway safety programs are eligible for reimbursement of federal funds apportioned to the state for such programs".

In order to qualify for funding assistance, a local highway safety committee must:

1. Identify local traffic problems or needs within the Federal Highway Safety Standards.
2. Analyze these problems or needs, propose solutions, and establish short and long range goals.
3. Develop a project to implement these solutions (counter measures) in accordance with federal standards, predict anticipated results, and estimate costs.

The Hampton Highway Safety Committee meets monthly, on the fourth Monday of the month in the Selectmen's Meeting Room. In an advisory capacity, the Committee is charged with the responsibility of advising the Town on ways to keep the roads of Hampton safe for vehicular and pedestrian traffic, as well as promoting highway safety in the town. To this end, the Committee has advised the town on a number of matters over the past year, including evaluation of a number of plans for proposed subdivisions forwarded by the Planning Board for review; numerous inquiries and requests from private citizens for STOP signs, cautionary signs, etc.. These requests are evaluated

and recommendations are made in compliance to American National Standards approved by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Safety Administration.

The Committee expresses its sincere appreciation to the men and women of the Hampton Police Department, Hampton Fire Department, and Public Works Department for maintaining safe roads for the citizens of Hampton. We welcome the input of any residents interested in helping us maintain the excellent record we have in this town for highway safety.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Lacey, Chairman
Zane Blanchard
Judith A. Park
Al Roach
Bob Ross



Lafayette Road in 1914

LANE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Have you checked out our web site on the Internet yet? Check us out at <http://www.hampton.lib.nh.us>. 1996 has been a year of technological advances for the library. At the March Town Meeting people overwhelmingly approved a warrant article to establish a Reference/Technology position with someone trained to hook us up to the Internet. We explained that the warrant article was not for equipment, but to hire someone with Internet expertise who could also serve as a Reference librarian, a position we have needed for years. We were fortunate in the summer to obtain the services of Bobb Menk, formerly the corporate librarian at Bolt, Beranek, and Newman of Cambridge. Bobb, in his former job, was working with some of the people who started the Internet! His job of bringing the Internet to the library was complicated by the fact that he had to work with existing equipment. Thanks to the Trustees, who tapped into an automation fund set up years ago via donations, we were able to upgrade some of the library equipment. The Internet is now accessible through all the work stations of the library!

The second big change involved the hiring of Margaret Gleeson as Children's Librarian. Margaret's seventeen years of professional experience have helped her with the busy summer reading program and new story hour programs. There is now a program for two year old children. Her storytelling ability has impressed both the children and the adults fortunate enough to hear her. A new after school program involving the States run by Margaret and Karen Ryan, also of the Children's Room, has been popular and has covered Massachusetts, Virginia, and Arkansas before the holidays. Joanne Mulready keeps the Children's Room decorated for the seasons and provides lists of monthly birthdays of famous people for the children to read. Mary Fiumara staffs the Children's Room evenings and Saturdays.

Other staff changes were few. Leri Steenson moved and her hours were divided among existing staff. Bill Teschek, Assistant Director, headed the search for the new Reference/Internet position. In addition to keeping the automated circulation system up to speed, Bill orders all the music compact discs, catalogs the new materials added to the library, and is in charge of our faithful volunteers who reshelve our books and magazines and do special projects. Joan Kahl, Circulation Desk Supervisor, has the responsibility for adding large print books and books on tape to the collection. Both areas have seen large increases in use. Jean Keefe has been busier than ever processing Interlibrary loan requests, both from our customers and from other libraries. Overdues are increasing as the circulation increases and that keeps Jean busy trying to track down the materials. Alice Alford and Joanne Straight share Reference Desk duties as well as Circulation Desk duties. Joanne also had charge of setting up the Dearborn Room as a Young Adult Room when we

moved the computers out of there. Megan Kilburn processes the audio books and CD's and writes out the book orders for the Adult Collection. Barbara Chapman works the Circulation desk and is still our faithful substitute when others are ill.

The Lane Memorial Library Trustees work quietly behind the scenes. Jim Inglis is Mr. Fix-It for the library. He has sealed the handicapped ramp, cut lumber to fit the CD shelves, and mended a broken chair, just to mention a few fix-its. Tom Donaldson keeps us abreast of the news, Katie Anderson provides encouraging words all year round, Betty Anne Lavallee has prompted a new book discussion group, and Chair, Jerry McConnell keeps us all on the right track.

It was a busy year with Circulation figures reaching a grand total of 167,849 items! That's up 8,490 items over 1995. We have 8,604 registered library users taking an average of 19.5 items a year. Since most children and many adults take more than that a month, it tells us that we have many people using the facility for research, computer use, and just perhaps for our ambiance! We certainly have people who come in daily to check the stock reports and mutual funds and others who come in to read the newspapers without checking out any items. Computer use is a new statistic as we have started signing people up for computer use and it is increasing monthly, from 139 the first month we counted to a high of 348. We have registered 1,386 new users this year. Some are long time residents who are just now renewing a former card. Others are children receiving their first card, and still others are new residents to the town.

We are looking forward to offering the Town in 1997 a new level of service with our additional reference help and Internet access.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Redden, Director



Halloween - 1996 at the Town Hall



Front row - left to right: Betty Poliquin, Joyce Sheehan, Dyana Lassonde
Back Row - left to right: Amy O'Shaughnessy, Maureen Shaw, Ann Kaiser,
Arleene Andreozzi. Not pictured - Marcia Eastman and Kathy Wright

Christmas parade



Town Manager James Barrington rides along with Selectmen Warburton and
Bridle as the Grand Marshall of 1996 Christmas Parade! Engine driven by
Firefighter Rusty Bridle.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Nineteen hundred ninety-six was an unusually busy year with a large number of burials, many of them during the winter months.

The frequent and heavy snowstorms presented problems in clearing access to the grave sites within the three day periods allotted. Thankfully, we were able to meet all commitments in time with the help of the Public Works Department with the plowing and we are very thankful to them.

We are also thankful to the citizens of Hampton for their support and vote at Town Meeting allowing us to purchase a new truck to replace our old relic which had become a potential hazard and a danger to our workers. The equipment was paid for out of our funds and was no extra charge in taxes to our citizens. We asked for bids and were given an unusually low one by a local company which we accepted with pleasure.

We continue to maintain our cemeteries in excellent condition in spite of inadequate funding and we are proud to hear these efforts are so frequently recognized by the general public.

We continue as always, to set our highest priority and concern in dealing with the public in a professional and caring way. During a difficult time in one's life we will always make ourselves available to assist them at any time and in any way possible.

Respectfully submitted,
1996 Cemetery Trustees
Danny J. Kenny, Supt.,
Charlotte K. Preston
Matthew J. Shaw



Memorial Day at the High Street Cemetery (Photo - A.J. Moody)

HAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Society offered several programs to the community of historic interest, as well as maintaining Tuck Museum and its grounds at 40 Park Avenue. Preserving Hampton's past is the primary mission of The Hampton Historical Society along with providing information to the community as an educational and research tool. The main museum contains furniture, paintings, military items, photographs and books representative of Hampton's past. On the grounds are an 1850's Schoolhouse, a Fire Museum and a Farm Museum, with examples of early tools used in the farming and fishing industry in Hampton.

The grounds were the site of the Rockingham Craftsmen's Fair and the first in a series of summer evening concerts sponsored by the Recreation Department. Over 1000 volunteer hours were provided, assisting 849 visitors through the museum. Four programs were offered covering the topics of Ghosts, a presentation by Peter Randall on his book "Out on the Shoals", a living history program about "The Mill Girl's" from Lowell, MA and Shaker Herb Gardening at Enfield, NH. The summer exhibit "Cows, Cod and Commerce: Hampton Turns to Business" was expanded to be offered to more elementary classes last Fall. Our mission has been complemented by a series of Living History Programs provided by Pat Triggs and Harold Fernald, offered to numerous community organizations and schools throughout New Hampshire.

We are busy working on our third "Hampton in Bloom" garden tour which will take place on June 28th. Several Hampton gardens will be featured, with displays by selected craftsmen. Our second "Keepsake Ornament", with scenes of Hampton has been very successful and is still available at our Museum Shop at 40 Park Avenue.

Our volunteers continue to improve and maintain the museum, its buildings and grounds. We were fortunate this summer to spend time with the sailors of the USS HAMPTON who provided us with several hours of assistance to accomplish many tasks around the museum.

Although there were many, the most significant acquisition this year was the gift of Janet and Frank Fitzgerald's collection of Hampton postcards. Arranged in four large volumes, the cards complement our holdings and fill in a number of gaps in the collection of cards which we already own.

We were delighted to clear up the boundary lines of our property and settle a land transfer with the Town that eventually became home to our new neighbors "Kid's Kingdom".

Membership is at an all time high of over 400 and is open to anyone supportive of our mission. Members receive the quarterly newsletter "Gathering From the Green". Information on membership, visiting hours, tours or programs can be obtained by writing the Historical Society at P.O. Box 1601, Hampton, NH 03843 or calling 926-1757.

Respectfully submitted,
Susanne Falzone, President

SCHEDULE OF TOWN BUILDINGS

Municipal structures covered by the New Hampshire Municipal Association -
Property Liability Insurance Trust, Inc.

	<u>Total Insured Value</u>
Town Office	\$ 458,800
Fire Station	477,800
Police Station	562,800
Courthouse	88,000
Locker House	35,000
Lane Library	2,178,700
Grist Mill	18,000
Cemetery Building	58,000

Public Works

Garage and Office	\$1,306,612
Storage Shed	4,200
Shed	10,000
Shed	3,200
Salt Shed	11,000

Wastewater Treatment Plant:

Secondary Building	\$1,000,000
Primary Building	300,000
Headworks Building	400,000
Influent Pump Station	166,816
Pump Station - Tide Mill Road	413,000
Pump Station - Church Street	305,000
Pump Station - Falcone Circle	296,000
Pump Station - Maplewood Avenue	40,000
Pump Station - Merrill Industrial Drive	40,000
Pump Station - High Street (West)	40,000
Pump Station - High Street (East)	40,000
Pump Station - Kings Highway	40,000
Pump Station - Vanderpool Drive	40,000

Total: \$8,373,528

BIRTHS TO HAMPTON RESIDENTS IN 1996

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	FATHER'S NAME	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER	PLACE BORN
01-01-96	Makayla Lynn	Maclean, Robert M.	Evie L. Dow	Exeter
01-01-96	Michael David	Paradis, David A.	Brenda A. Roux	Manch.
01-02-96	Megan Jane	Belliveau, Paul M.	Lori J. Carroll	Ptsmth
01-11-96	Corina Therese	Chao, Steven J.	Ann Marie Pageot	Ptsmth
01-11-96	Shannon Marie	Gray, Jeffrey P.	Robin M. Davis	Ptsmth
01-19-96	Thomas William	Miller, Gregory S.	Wanda J. Chwack	Ptsmth
01-23-96	Amy Diane	Schultz, Mark E.	Liza A. McCain	Exeter
01-28-96	Lauren Elizabeth	Cooney, Gregory C.	Kathy L. Maguire	Exeter
01-30-96	Savanna Jessalyn	Desmarais, Michael	Jennifer Riley	Exeter
02-13-96	Brian Lee	Montgomery, Wendell	Tina D. Sylvester	Exeter
02-13-96	Evan Joseph	O'Connor, David W.	Mary Lou Caron	Exeter
02-15-96	Kody Matthew	Williams, Mark A.	Kimberly L. Smith	Ptsmth
02-18-96	Casey Anthony	Tarbell, Stephen A.	Kerrie A. McGee	Ptsmth
02-19-96	Caleb Fraser	Coe, Keith D.	Kylelynn Brooksby	Ptsmth
02-19-96	Joshua Brooksby	Coe, Keith D.	Kylelynn Brooksby	Ptsmth
02-19-96	Makayla Susan	Pine, Shane P.	Samantha L. Nault	Exeter
02-19-96	Patrick Joseph	Pine, Shane P.	Samantha L. Nault	Exeter
02-28-96	Katherine Bata	Nash, John G.	Jana Melicharekova	Ptsmth
02-29-96	Kali Lynn	Slauter, Michael J.	Sandra A. Veit	Exeter
03-15-96	Emma Grace	Kimball, Timothy C.	Catherine Sylvester	Exeter
03-21-96	Alisha Lauren	Tousignant, Paul T.	Denise M. Fiorentini	Ptsmth
03-24-96	Tylor Manuel	Plaza, Joseph E.	Marietta H. Neri	Ptsmth
03-30-96	Jacob Clinton	Pennfield, Donald R.	Sara J. Ebert	Ptsmth
03-30-96	Elaine Ruth	Weatherby, David J.	Lee A. Yingling	Exeter
04-04-96	Sidney Leigh	Scott, Ryan M.	Liane Taccetta	Ptsmth
04-06-96	Marguerite Jean	Currier, David A.	Grace A. Gregory	Ptsmth
04-07-96	Jason Lee	Shamesman, Scott L.	Anchalee Hongtont	Exeter
04-12-96	Emily Jean	Warren, Martin H.	Carla J. Reeves	Ptsmth
04-18-96	Shauna Marie	Morrison, Terance J.	Linda M. Johnson	Exeter
04-23-96	Sara Murphy	Schwab, David D.	Rose M. Twomey	Exeter
04-29-96	Caitlin Marie	Owen, Robert J.	Doreen Sciancalepore	Ptsmth
05-01-96	Kimberly Erica	Munson, Arthur H. Jr	Mary H. Delaney	Ptsmth
05-07-96	Daniel Robert	Wright, Douglas J.	Michele A. Robert	Exeter
05-09-96	Makayla Alexandra	Duhamel, John A.	Judith H. Stephany	Ptsmth
05-11-96	Kevin Foster	Hughes, Brian S.	Susan L. Staeger	Ptsmth
05-12-96	Emily	Luu, Huy H.	Linh M. Dang	Ptsmth
05-13-96	Morgan Lee	Taylor, Lee M.	Mary K. Higgins	Ptsmth
05-16-96	Mary Lee	Casey, John E.	Linda V. Connors	Ptsmth
05-20-96	Brendan Robert	Richard, Daniel J.	Angelina L. Robinson	Dover

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05-22-96	Aaron Douglas	Gaskell, Douglas G. Jr	Arlene DeJager	Ptsmth
05-24-96	Madison Kristine	Firkey, Eric C.	Valerie M. Waitt	Ptsmth
06-04-96	Drew Richard	Verrier, Kevin R.	Kathleen M. Tannian	Ptsmth
06-12-96	Olivia Denyse	Richter, Joseph	Denyse A. Gonthier	Ptsmth
06-22-96	Mia	Gagne, Mark C.	Julie L. Ham	Ptsmth
06-25-96	Mitchell Curtis	Ouimette, Daniel R.	Genevieve H. Walsh	Manch.
06-26-96	Andrew James	Ostrow, Frank P.	Susan E. VanDyke	Ptsmth
07-10-96	Kristina Nicole	Costa, Steven J.	Ellen T. McGibbon	Exeter
07-11-96	Eric Anthony	Dunn, Thomas J.	Linda J. Calderone	Exeter
07-16-96	Ross Max	Cohen, Robert P.	Dolores Vinciguerra	Exeter
07-17-96	Sean Michael	Cotter, Patrick J.	Margaret C. Brown	Ptsmth
07-21-96	Preston Robert	Reusch, Kevin J.	Maryrae Preston	Ptsmth
07-22-96	Sydney Kathryn	Hardin, Steven B.	Jennifer L. Eubanks	Ptsmth
07-24-96	Jake M.	Stevenson, Cory L.	Lynne MacKintosh	Exeter
07-26-96	Allyson Neutchalee	McAllister, Robert Jr.	Rungthiwa Naphua	Exeter
08-06-96	Parker Thomas	Westbrook, James L.	Joanna L. Schultz	Exeter
08-11-96	Brian Coleman	Kiley, Michael W.	Pamela J. Coleman	Exeter
08-19-96	Nicholas Andrew	Seta, Frank N.	Sabrina M. Difeo	Exeter
08-25-96	Jilliane Mary	Ravell, Robert D.	Doreen A. Bernstein	Exeter
08-31-96	Ashley Deeann	Harriman, Michael A.	Nicole C. Merchant	Ptsmth
09-02-96	Allison Elizabeth	Belisle, Kevin J.	Sara Jane Hall	Ptsmth
09-07-96	Mackenzie Russell	Brigham, Michael J.	Traci Lane Hanscom	Ptsmth
09-07-96	Blake Austin	Harris, Philip E.	Cheryl L. Knowles	Ptsmth
09-14-96	Morgan Brianne	Finniss, Darren G.	Suzanne C. Lemire	Exeter
09-17-96	Dana Marie	Pappalardo, Stephen	Kelley Ann Loring	Ptsmth
09-18-96	Alexander James	Sedor, Paul	Lydia M. Devlin	Exeter
09-23-96	Abigail Elizabeth	Daziel, Joseph H.	Kristen E. Cove	Exeter
09-23-96	Nicholas Joseph	Halle, John R.	Sharon E. Grecco	Exeter
10-03-96	Nicole Elizabeth	Workman, James A..	Maureen J. Delong	Exeter
10-04-96	Autumn Helyne	George, Ralph D.	Karen L. Casas	Ptsmth
10-11-96	Brendon Thomas	Fortuna, Kevin P	Donna L. Silva	Exeter
10-19-96	Steven Allen Scott	Tobey, Scott A.	Catherine R. Gehr	Exeter
10-15-96	Blaise Christian	Van Sant, Craig E.	Laura J. Van Zante	Exeter
10-21-96	Thomas James	Welch, Thomas A..	Caryl Holmes Dow	Exeter
10-23-96	Dillon Thomas	Plouffe, Michael T. Jr.	Jeaninne A. Libby	Ptsmth
10-23-96	Spencer Bradley	Rutt, Bradley W.	Linda J. Magri	Exeter
10-28-96	Aaron Moore	Finocchiario, Alfred	Julia L. Slade	Exeter
11-11-96	Julia Pauline	Forsely, Lawrence S.	Lisa D. Bourgue	Exeter
11-20-96	Emily Althea	Watson, Keith D.	Mary L. Washburn	Exeter
11-26-96	Lila Marie	Dougherty, Edward	Elizabeth S. Pipho	Exeter
11-21-96	Charles Odis	Dalbec, Erik D.	Christell J. Tyler	Ptsmth

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11-21-96	Olivia Judith	Hyde, Paul C.	Patricia M. O'Byrne	Ptsmth
11-18-96	Andre Maurice	Chouinard, Daniel H.	Rita Marie Garand	Ptsmth
11-15-96	Felicia Noel	MacQuarrie, Michael J.	Kathleen A. Welch	Ptsmth
11-13-96	Matthew Ladd	Carmen, Ladd C.	Judith F. Chimenti	Ptsmth
12-08-96	Emily Josephine	Smith, Brian	Elizabeth Kaiser	Nbypt,M
12-28-96	Sarah Emily	Lamie, Christopher T.	Jennifer L. Palmer	Exeter
12-27-96	Taylor Cameron	Wilusz, Glenn D.	Joanne L. Marcou	Exeter
12-30-96	Krista Marguerite	Lamprey, Douglas W.	Joanne Richardson	Exeter



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DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
01-13-96	David W. Beaulieu	Hampton	Rose M. Beaulieu	Hampton
01-14-96	Walter A. Vanderpool	Hampton	Renee K. Sutherland	Hampton
01-26-96	Lawrence M. Corliss	Hampton	Marlene R. Miller	Hampton
02-11-96	David E. McDermott	Hampton	Carmen A. Cordova	Hampton
02-14-96	Arthur E. Park, Jr.	Hampton	Lisa A. Szymanski	Hampton
02-17-96	John A. Carl	Salisbury, MA	Bonnie C. Lingerman	Hampton
03-02-96	Peter Court	Wales, UK	Holly A. Hamilton	Hampton
03-30-96	Fred J. Schaake	Hampton	Leah White	Hampton
04-20-96	James F. Fradsham, Jr.	Hampton	Katherine A. MacGregor	Hampton
04-20-96	Dennis G. Walters, II	Hampton	Kristen Root	Hampton
04-27-96	Michael J McLaughlin	Hampton	Kathleen A. Vanderlaan	Hampton
04-27-96	Michael F. McMahon	Hampton	Jennifer E. Miskel	Hampton
04-27-96	James A. Keene	Hampton	Lisa M. Houlden	Hampton
04-27-96	Brian M. Day	Hampton	Terri A. Nardone	Woburn, MA
05-03-96	Mark C. Walker	Hampton	Maureen E. Powers	Hampton
05-04-96	Scott E. MacDormand	Manchester	Julie A. Smith	Hampton
05-04-96	Paul W. Boulanger, Jr.	Hampton	Eileen E. Clifford	Hampton
05-04-96	John Cannon	Hampton	Lisa R. Ketron	Hampton
05-04-96	Colin M. Barnard	Hampton	Melissa J. Brown	Hampton
05-04-96	Michael S. Mason	Malden, MA	Jessica L. Nichols	Hampton
05-05-96	John S. Chiavaras	Hampton	Patricia M. Lomasney	Hampton
05-05-96	Michael T. Plouffe, Jr.	Hampton	Jeaninne A. Libby	Hampton
05-11-96	John J. Tighe	Dedham, MA	Caroline L. Hodges	Hampton
05-15-96	John F. Gamache	Hampton	Beverly K. Rumore	Hampton
05-18-96	Robert F. Mitchell	Hampton	Jessica E. Gilbert	Hampton
05-18-96	Frederick W. Brodin	Hampton	Holly J. Kidawolski	Dracut, MA
05-18-96	Nathan E. Denio	Hampton	Erin M. Barnard	Hampton
05-19-96	Ernest N. Brown	Hampton	Vivian Latham	Hampton
05-24-96	Kevin E. McCahill	N Canaan, CT	Cynthia J. Hockenhull	Hampton
05-24-96	Eric P. Ohlenbusch	Hampton	Nancy K. Taylor	Hampton
05-25-96	Daniel E. Doherty, Jr.	Hampton	Robin N. Lindblad	Hampton
05-26-96	Michael L. Battles	Hampton	Kelly L. Keyser	Hampton
05-30-96	Richard L. Newman Jr	Epping	Cammy K. Artus	Hampton
05-31-96	Francis T. Silveria, III	Hampton	Mary A. Aylward	Hampton
06-01-96	Peter R. Graves	Hampton	Jilleen E. Baberadt	Hampton
06-08-96	Carl S. Brytz	Hampton	Kimberlyanne S. Devlin	Hampton
06-14-96	Aaron M. Logan	Hampton	Amanda L. Clute	Hampton
06-15-96	Anthony J. Aprile	Dover	Edith B. Griffin	Hampton

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06-22-96	Patrick D. Gould	Hampton	Bridget L. Anderson	Rye
06-22-96	Michael J. Wall	Hampton	Amy M. Pomeroy	Holyoke, MA
06-22-96	John J. Sillay	Hampton	Deborah A. Downey	Hampton
06-22-96	Wade F. Bernier	Hampton	Ana B. Vega Del Rio	Hampton
06-22-96	Andrew R. Palazzo	Hampton	Bethany J. Zinck	Sandown
06-22-96	Clemens W. Streck, Jr.	Hampton	Christine A. Hansen	Hampton
06-29-96	James E. Ryan	Greenland	Susan J. Walker	Hampton
06-29-96	Paul J. Roberts	Salisbury, MA	Catherine E. Mills	Hampton
07-06-96	Robert A. Berry	Hampton	Ellen M. Kelly	Hampton
07-06-96	Michael T. Moynahan	Hampton	Susan J. Schuster	Hampton
07-12-96	Timothy J. Nerat	Hampton	Leila L. Harrington	Hampton
07-12-96	Albert G. Conto	Hampton	Judy O'Connell	Hampton
07-13-96	Gary A. Fisher	Hampton	Janet P. Smullen	Hampton
07-13-96	Jeffrey A. Philbrick	Hampton	Karen M. Stella	Portsmouth
07-13-96	Chad W. Jackson	Hampton	Karen A. Mitchell	Hampton
07-13-96	Richard J. Stiles, Jr.	Hampton	Deborah A. Keane	Hampton
07-19-96	Mark E. Forcier	Mrlbgh, MA	Donna M. Ricardo	Hampton
07-20-96	Anthony V. Difazio	Hampton	Patricia A. Amancio	Hampton
07-20-96	James A. Hart	Hampton	Christine S. Montville	Hampton
07-20-96	James R. Deangelo	Hampton	Dawn-Marie Pierce	Newmarket
07-25-96	Christopher E. Golden	Meredith	Amy A. Grant	Hampton
07-27-96	John R. Hall	Hampton	Denise E. Turner	Hampton
07-28-96	James D. Correll	Hampton	Pamela P. Farr	Hampton
08-03-96	John R. Fernandez	Hampton	Deborah A. Ward	Hampton
08-03-96	James R. Adams, III	Hampton	Linna M. Hunt	NYC, NY
08-04-96	Daniel L. Field	Nw Orlns, LA	Mackenzie L. Batchelder	Hampton
08-10-96	Richard P. Neville	Hampton	Amy L. Peterson	Concord
08-12-96	Paul A. Degrass	Hampton	Dale E. Smith	Hampton
08-13-96	Salvatore J. Luca	Hampton	Carole F. Cole	Hampton
08-16-96	Ryan M. Murphy	Hampton	Kristen M. Kemen	Dover
08-24-96	Paul J. O'Hara	Hampton	Leah M. Gonthier	Hampton
08-24-96	Kenneth J. Myers	Hampton	Paula C. Regent	Hampton
08-24-96	Robert F. Webster, Jr.	Hampton	Louise O. Flanders	Hampton
08-24-96	Christopher Sanderell	Hampton	Kathlene A. Platt	Hampton
08-25-96	Jason C. Rines	Stratham	Jeannine M. Roy	Hampton
08-30-96	Daniel J. Gidley	Hampton	Darlene S. Brum	Hampton
09-07-96	Glenn D. Wilusz	Hampton	Joanne L. Marcou	Hampton
08-31-96	Patrick F. Cawley	Salisbury, MA	Cheryl M. Cangiamilla	Hampton
08-31-96	Eric J. Lowther	Hampton	Janice J. Page	Hampton
09-07-96	Scott E. Jones	Hampton	Marie D. Farrah	Hampton
09-14-96	John R Herlihy	Worcester, MA	Kelly S. Gurry	Hampton

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09-20-96	Robert W. Pierce	Hampton	Karen E. Vitiaz	Kittery ME
09-21-96	Roger B. Nold	Hampton	Dorothy A. Murphy	Hampton
09-28-96	Walter J. Szulc Jr	Bedford	Jennifer Mazuriewicz	Hampton
10-05-96	Jason M. Lajoie	Hampton	Melissa J. Bergeron	Portsmouth
10-05-96	Lawrence Watson Jr.	Hampton	Kelly E. Connally	Hampton
10-07-96	Anthony P. Zablosky	Abington,MA	Kathleen R. Chambers	Hampton
10-11-96	G. Michael Fairall	Hampton	Patricia A. Bigley	Hampton
10-12-96	Andrew F. Gyorda II	Hampton	Donna L. Gervais	Hampton
10-13-96	John P. Faulkner	Hampton	Melanie J. Phillips	Hampton
10-19-96	Michael A. Blocker	Hampton	Helen G. Lydeard	Hampton
10-19-96	William H. Whitcomb	Hampton	Sharon M. Boucher	Somersworth
10-23-96	Gerald E. Moore	Hampton	Carol L. Murphy	Hampton
10-26-96	John A. Skrabut	Hampton	Mary Lou Mitchell	Hampton
10-26-96	Dennis N. Britt	Hampton	Esperanza D. Antonio	Hampton
11-12-96	Ricky J. Royal	Hampton	Dawna M. Little	Hampton
11-18-96	James W. Dargon	Hampton	Marianne J. Giannini	Hampton
11-18-96	Steven A. Jautaikis	Hampton	Nicole M. Spencer	Hampton
11-22-96	Mark K. Wright	Hampton	Vicki B. Munroe	Hampton
11-29-96	Christopher E. Golas	Hampton	Catherine J. Bowman	Hampton
12-07-96	David P. Bryer	Hampton	Jennifer M. Fuimara	Hampton
12-07-96	William J. Kinnier	Hampton	Elizabeth A. Boswell	Hampton
12-08-96	Curtis R. Walton	Hampton	Joan M. Woolley	Hampton
12-10-96	Vaughan A. Lent	Hampton	Ruth V. Mullen	Canada
12-19-96	Walter J. Tarnawski	Hampton	Cathleen M. Russell	Hampton
12-24-96	Steven M. Gilb	Hampton	Pennie P. Higson	Hampton
12-24-96	John H. Shortt	Hollis	Lynda D. McCarthy	Hampton
12-26-96	Joseph J. Keenan	Hampton	Kathleen A. McCahill	Hampton
12-28-96	Alexander B. Ballance	Hampton	Bonni L. Moore	Hampton
12-31-96	Jeffrey D. Braman	Wash.	Erika S. Hulien	Hampton

DEATHS OF HAMPTON RESIDENTS IN 1996

DATE	NAME	FATHERS NAME	MOTHERS MAIDEN	PLACE
01-01-96	Coish, Elaine M.	Clapper, Merriman	Hazel Meuse	Hampton
01-04-96	Brosnan, Mary M.	Sullivan, John	Mary Sullivan	Hampton
01-05-96	King, Thomas J. III	King, Thomas J. II	Minnie A. Shumate	Exeter
01-07-96	Ross, Wilda	Burnett, Louis	Florence Hanlon	Exeter
01-11-96	Dignam, Beatrice	Bracewell, James	Anna Bowes	Hampton
01-12-96	Chaisson, Darryl P.	Chaisson, Raymond	Cecelia A. Gelinas	Hampton
01-13-96	Spillane, Arthur R.	Spillane, Thomas B.	Goldie E. Raymond	Brentwood
01-18-96	Collins, Jane K.	Duffy, James A.	Gertrude Barrett	Cape Coral
01-21-96	Campbell, Clyde B.	Campbell, William	Bessie Hubley	Hampton
01-21-96	Kennedy, Merce M.	Vousden, William	Ellen Bengé	Hampton
01-23-96	Kefferstan, William F.	Kefferstan, William	Cecilia V. Freeman	Hampton
01-24-96	Henderson, Marjorie B.	Boudreau, Henry	Georgianna York	Portsmouth
01-27-96	Smith, Winifred M.	Harrison, Thomas	Winifred McDermott	Hampton
02-02-96	Lauder, Ruth	Shaw, Charles L.	Jemina Lamont	Jensen Beach
02-04-96	Spieß Gladys C.	Lamprey, William	Ethel Randall	Hampton
02-05-96	Sannizzaro, Catherine J.	Harrington, John J.	Annie Needham	Hampton
02-08-96	Chabot, Earl J.	Chabot, Earl J.	Anna R. Monahan	Hampton
02-13-96	Pellegrini, Adelina	Navaroli, John	Christine Antonucci	Hampton
02-16-96	Jones, Mark J.	Jones, Paul W.	Elizabeth Larrison	Hampton
02-19-96	Babb, Mildred	Decker, Wilmot	Lottie Kennedy	Hampton
02-27-96	Barkhouse, Ann F.	Fry, Rodney E.	Celia Guild	Exeter
03-03-96	Lang, Janet A.	Speight, Herbert	Nora Sutton	Hampton
03-06-96	Ford, William J.	Ford, John J.	Anna Mullaney	Hampton
03-17-96	Mattos, John	Mattos, Unknown	Unknown	Hampton
03-21-96	Seavey, Milton H.	Seavey, Lewis	Rebecca Kelley	Portsmouth
03-25-96	Benoit, James H.	Benoit, Donald H.	Catherine Fredette	Hampton
03-25-96	Frisbie, Clark W.	Frisbie, Clark E.	Minnie Yaeck	Hampton
03-31-96	Dingle, Peggy A.	Humbert, Frederick	Bernice A. Taylor	Portsmouth
04-16-96	Harrington, Matthew P.	Harrington, Kevin J.	Patricia A. Foster	Exeter
04-16-96	Murray, Thomas S. Sr.	Murray, Charles A.	Mary A. Johnson	Exeter
04-18-96	Gagne, Janice P.	White, Floyd V.	Agnes King	Hampton
04-29-96	Brindamour, Robert L.	Brindamour, Charles	Lillian E. Brindle	Hampton
05-07-96	Burke, Gordon C.	Burke, William	Carrie M. Russell	Exeter
05-16-96	Nelson, Harry S.	Nelson, Harry J.	Helen Franklin	Wells
05-16-96	Tobey, Dorothy C.	Block, Charles R.	Lila Dearborn	Exeter
05-22-96	Weinhold, Charles A.	Weinhold, William	Rosa K. Wulle	Hampton
06-04-96	Robidas, Michael R.	Robidas, Joseph A.	Constance Lessard	Portsmouth
06-10-96	Young, Leonard J.	Young, Bartholomew	Ellen Butler	Exeter

06-12-96	Hanover, Eleanor R.	MacDonald, James	Theresa Gallagher	Hampton
06-26-96	Schaake, Ralph R. Jr.	Schaake, Ralph R.	Vernice Bradstreet	Hampton
07-02-96	Leary, Frank A.	Leary, Frank C.	Anna Hett	Hampton
07-11-96	Clough, Donald R.	Clough, George	Cora Sterling	Hampton
07-14-96	Pingree, Clifford E.	Pingree, Clifford J.	Gladys P. Heon	Exeter
07-17-96	Cotton, Lloyd P. Sr.	Cotton, Philip	Louise Hansen	Hampton
07-18-96	Flood, John G. Jr.	Flood, John G.	Catherine Brady	Hampton
07-23-96	Minko, Michael E.	Minko, Michael	Lucy Gudalis	Danforth
07-30-96	Bailey, Birlem B.	Bailey, Benjamin A.	Grace B. Reed	Hampton
07-31-96	Tetler, Susan B.	Tillotson, Fred	Julia Quinn	Brentwood
08-08-96	Reid, James E.	Reid, Harry	Clara Austin	Hampton
08-09-96	Dancelson, Caroline E.	Lawler, Andrew I.	Bessie Robinson	Portsmouth
08-16-96	Nudd, Alvin R.	Nudd, Moses P.	Isabella Gentleman	Hampton
08-23-96	Burke, Thomas P.	Burke, Michael	Delia Jordan	Hampton
08-26-96	Wilson, Kenneth R.	Wilson, Clark W.	Helen N. Crockett	Portsmouth
08-28-96	Devincentis, Helen	Devincentis, Frank	Philomena Cammarano	Hampton
09-07-96	Grandy, Gideon R.	Grandy, Angus	Mary Baggs	Exeter
09-12-96	Callan, John C.	Callan, John C.	Margaret Capone	Hampton
09-12-96	Collins, Joseph A.	Collins, Michael	Mary Jane Sullivan	Rye
09-12-96	Lucchesi, Jerome J.	Lucchesi, Corado	Mary Petralia	Exeter
09-21-96	Ricardo, Margaret M.	Sentner, Henry	Margaret Cox	Exeter
09-22-96	Lane, William D.	Lane, Charles	Lillian Chapman	Hampton
10-03-96	Pachonka, Winifred	Greig, James	Margaret Stevens	Hampton
10-04-96	Daigneau, Shelby J.	Holbrook, Con	Sina Brown	Hampton
10-05-96	Farrell, Lloyd H.	Farrell, Harry T.	Ruby Hammond	Exeter
10-11-96	McConnell, Helen M.	Briggs, Lindley	Helen McLaughlin	Portsmouth
10-14-96	McGlue, Arthur J.	McGlue, Arthur	Hazel LeBlanc	Portsmouth
10-17-96	Burke, James E.	Burke, William A.	Mildred A. O'Brien	Hampton
10-19-96	Nixon, Grace B.	Davis, Jesse	Marion White	Exeter
10-22-96	Nicholson, Mary A.	Flynn, George	Catherine Smith	Exeter
10-23-96	Balboni, Peter N.	Balboni, Nicholas	Mary Furlotte	Portsmouth
10-29-96	Snyder, Ralph E. Jr.	Snyder, Ralph E.	Frances G. Stratton	Exeter
11-05-96	Matheson, Beatrice J.	Whiting, Ralph	Ebba Anderson	Hampton
11-07-96	Austin, Warren E.	Austin, Thomas H.	Lillian Moger	Exeter
11-11-96	Dockham, Allen T.	Dockham, Alvah	Clara M. Tobey	Manchester
11-18-96	Ford, Robert M.	Ford, Robert B.	Margaret Wilson	Hampton
11-20-96	Demeritt, Delphin G.	Demeritt, Berthold	Musetta Dorr	Hampton
11-23-96	Obst, Audree P.	Tell, Charles L.	Elizabeth McDermott	Hampton
11-25-96	Bell, Mary C.	Armstrong, Charles	Clara M. Hicks	Exeter
11-27-96	Halloran, Marie E.	Harmon, Jasper C.	Lima E. Chase	Hampton
12-23-96	LeBlanc, Geoffrey P.	LeBlanc, James L.	Marie-Olive Roger	Hampton
12-26-96	Marvin, Amy L.	Bergstrom, Gotfried	Selma O. Johansson	Exeter

Municipal Calendar

JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1) New Years!	2)	3)	4)
5)	6) 7:30 Selectmen	7)	8)7:00 Planning	9)	10)	11)
12)	13) 7:30 Selectmen	14)	15)	16)7:00 Zoning	17)	18)
19)	20) Civil Rights Day	21)	22)7:00 Planning	23)	24)	25)
26)	27) 7:30 Selectmen	28) 7:00 Conservation	29)7:00 Recreation	30)	31)	

FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1)
2)	3) 7:30 Selectmen	4)Last day for petitions	5)7:00 Planning	6)	7)	8)
9)	10) 7:30 Selectmen	11)	12)	13)7:00 Zoning	14)	15)
16)	17) 7:30 Selectmen	18)	19)7:00 Planning ; First day to file for office	20)	21)	22)
23)	24) 7:30 Selectmen	25) 7:00 Conservation Commission	26)7:00 Recreation; Last day to file for office	27)	28)	

MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1)
2)	3) 7:30 Selectmen	4)	5)7:00 Planning	6)	7)	8)
9)	10) 7:30 Selectmen	11)	12)	13)7:00 Zoning	14)	15) Town Meeting
16)	17)	18)	19)7:00 Planning	20)	21)	22)
23) 30)	24/31) 7:30 Selectmen	25) 7:00 Conservation	26)7:00 Recreation	27)	28)	29)

APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1)	2)	3)	4)	5)
6)	7) 7:30 Selectmen	8) Election Day	9)7:00 Planning	10)	11)	12)
13)	14) 7:30 Selectmen	15)	16)	17)7:00 Zoning	18)	19)
20)	21)7:30 Selectmen	22)	23)7:00 Planning	24)	25)	26)
27)	28) 7:30 Selectmen	29) 7:00 Conservation	30)7:00 Recreation			

MAY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1)	2)	3)
4)	5) 7:30 Selectmen	6)	7)7:00 Planning	8)	9)	10)
11)	12) 7:30 Selectmen	13)	14)	15)7:00 Zoning	16)	17)
18)	19) 7:30 Selectmen	20)	21)7:00 Planning	22)	23)	24)
25)	26) 7:30 Selectmen	27) 7:00 Conservation	28)7:00 Recreation	29)	30)	31)

JUNE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1)	2)	3)	4)	5)	6)	7)
8)	9) 7:30 Selectmen	10)	11)7:00 Planning	12)	13)	14)
15)	16) 7:30 Selectmen	17)	18)	19)7:00 Zoning	20)	21)
22)	23)	24)	25)7:00 Planning	26)	27)	28)
29)	30) 7:30 Selectmen					

JULY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1)	2)	3)	4) 4th of July	5)
6)	7) 7:30 Selectmen	8)	9)7:00 Planning	10)	11)	12)
13)	14) 7:30 Selectmen	15)	16)	17)7:00 Zoning	18)	19)
20)	21)	22)	23)7:00 Planning	24)	25)	26)
27)	28) 7:30 Selectmen	29) 7:00 Conservation	30)7:00 Recreation	31)		

AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1)	1)
3)	4) 7:30 Selectmen	5)	6)7:00 Planning	7)	8)	9)
10)	11) 7:30 Selectmen	12)	13)	14)7:00 Zoning	15)	16)
17)	18)	19)	20)7:00 Planning	21)	22)	23)
24)	25) 7:30 Selectmen	26) 7:00 Conservation	27)7:00 Recreation	28)	29)	30)
31)						

SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1)Labor Day	2)	3)	4)	5)	6)
7)	8) 7:30 Selectmen	9)	10	11)	12)	13)
14)	15) 7:30 Selectmen	16)	17)	18)7:00 Zoning	19)	20)
21)	22)7:30 Selectmen	23)7:00 Conservation	24)7:00 Planning	25)	26)	27)
28)	29) 7:30 Selectmen	30)				

OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1)7:00 Planning	2)	3)	4)
5)	6) 7:30 Selectmen	7)	8)	9)	10)	11)
12)	13) 7:30 Selectmen	14)	15)7:00 Planning	16)7:00 Zoning	17)	18)
19)	20) 7:30 Selectmen	21)	22)	23)	24)	25)
26)	27) 7:30 Selectmen	28) 7:00 Conservation	29)7:00 Recreation	30)	31)	

NOVEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1)
2)	3) 7:30 Selectmen	4)	5)7:00 Planning	6)	7)	8)
9)	10) 7:30 Selectmen	11)	12)	13)7:00 Zoning	14)	15)
16)	17)7:30 Selectmen	18)	19)7:00 Planning	20)	21)	22)
23)	24) 7:30 Selectmen	25) 7:00 Conservation	26)7:00 Recreation	27) Thanks- giving	28) Town Clerk closed	29)

DECEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1)	2)	3)	4)	5)	6)
7)	8) 7:30 Selectmen	9)	10)7:00 Planning	11)	12)	13)
14)	15) 7:30 Selectmen	16)	17)	18)7:00 Zoning	19)	20)
21)	22)	23)	24)7:00 Planning	25) Christmas	26)	27)
28)	29)	30) 7:00 Conservation	31)7:00 Recreation	30)	31)	

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Hampton has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

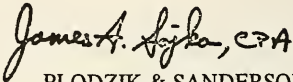
In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Hampton, as of December 31, 1996, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Town of Hampton
Independent Auditor's Report on Financial Presentation

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated January 31, 1997 on our consideration of the Town of Hampton's internal control structure and a report dated January 31, 1997 on its compliance with laws and regulations.

January 31, 1997


PLODZIK & SANDERSON
Professional Association

GENERAL PURPOSE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

EXHIBIT A
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 1996

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>	<u>General Long-Term Debt</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS						
<u>Assets</u>						
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 7,392,584	\$ 62,270	\$ 201,157	\$ 66,066	\$	\$ 7,722,077
Investments				13,456,627		13,456,627
<u>Receivables (Net of Allowances For Uncollectibles)</u>						
Interest				177,597		177,597
Taxes	1,647,192					1,647,192
Accounts	129,548			2,078,091		2,207,639
Intergovernmental	16,938					16,938
Other	8,194					8,194
Interfund Receivable	839,929	25,022	25,456			890,407
Elderly Tax Liens	129,114					129,114
Elderly Tax Liens Reserved Until Collected	(129,114)					(129,114)
Mortgage Notes Receivable				573,202		573,202
Prepaid Items	4,857					4,857
<u>Other Debits</u>						
Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt					9,077,090	9,077,090
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	<u>\$ 10,039,242</u>	<u>\$ 87,292</u>	<u>\$ 226,613</u>	<u>\$ 16,351,583</u>	<u>\$ 9,077,090</u>	<u>\$ 35,781,820</u>

EXHIBIT A (Continued)
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 1996

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>	<u>General Long-Term Debt</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>						
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Accounts Payable	\$ 221,348	\$	\$	\$ 4,422	\$	\$ 225,770
Retainage Payable			208,022			208,022
Intergovernmental Payable	6,251,495			16,951		6,268,446
Interfund Payable	50,099	1,397	3,179	835,732		890,407
Escrow and Performance Deposits				53,996		53,996
Other Current Liabilities	500					500
Deferred Revenues	28,553					28,553
Deferred Compensation						
Benefits Payable				2,078,091		2,078,091
General Obligation Debt Payable					7,461,095	7,461,095
Accrued Landfill						
Postclosure Costs					750,000	750,000
Capital Leases Payable					11,988	11,988
Compensated Absences Payable					854,007	854,007
Total Liabilities	<u>6,551,995</u>	<u>1,397</u>	<u>211,201</u>	<u>2,989,192</u>	<u>9,077,090</u>	<u>18,830,875</u>
<u>Equity</u>						
<u>Fund Balances</u>						
Reserved For Contingencies	20,154					20,154
Reserved For Endowments				13,324,280		13,324,280
Reserved For Encumbrances	1,754,648		96,308			1,850,956
Reserved For Special Purposes				38,111		38,111
<u>Unreserved</u>						
Designated For						
Special Purposes		85,895				85,895
Undesignated (Deficit)	<u>1,712,445</u>		<u>(80,896)</u>			<u>1,631,549</u>
Total Equity	<u>3,487,247</u>	<u>85,895</u>	<u>15,412</u>	<u>13,362,391</u>		<u>16,950,945</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>\$ 10,039,242</u>	<u>\$ 87,292</u>	<u>\$ 226,613</u>	<u>\$ 16,351,583</u>	<u>\$ 9,077,090</u>	<u>\$ 35,781,820</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT B
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Type Expendable Trust</u>	<u>Total (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>		
<u>Revenues</u>					
Taxes	\$23,642,597	\$	\$	\$	\$23,642,597
Licenses and Permits	1,917,903				1,917,903
Intergovernmental	780,760				780,760
Charges for Services	911,827	53,487			965,314
Miscellaneous	833,765	51,370		2,058	887,193
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>					
Operating Transfers In	889,437	515,453			1,404,890
Proceeds of General Obligation Debt	<u>262,400</u>		<u>2,820,512</u>		<u>3,082,912</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>29,238,689</u>	<u>620,310</u>	<u>2,820,512</u>	<u>2,058</u>	<u>32,681,569</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>					
<u>Current</u>					
General Government	2,459,764				2,459,764
Public Safety	5,079,640				5,079,640
Highways and Streets	1,574,196				1,574,196
Sanitation	2,340,282				2,340,282
Health	170,985				170,985
Welfare	83,454				83,454
Culture and Recreation	181,446	553,634			735,080
Conservation	1,425	1,579			3,004
Debt Service	1,100,991				1,100,991
Capital Outlay	715,951	5,071	2,490,385	22,101	3,233,508
Intergovernmental	14,498,946				14,498,946
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>					
Operating Transfers Out	<u>462,782</u>	<u>67,771</u>			<u>530,553</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>28,669,862</u>	<u>628,055</u>	<u>2,490,385</u>	<u>22,101</u>	<u>31,810,403</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	568,827	(7,745)	330,127	(20,043)	871,166
<u>Fund Balance (Deficit) - January 1</u>	<u>2,918,420</u>	<u>93,640</u>	<u>(314,715)</u>	<u>45,075</u>	<u>2,742,420</u>
<u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 3,487,247</u>	<u>\$ 85,895</u>	<u>\$ 15,412</u>	<u>\$ 25,032</u>	<u>\$ 3,613,586</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)
General and Special Revenue Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	General Fund		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	
<u>Revenues</u>			
Taxes	\$ 23,853,793	\$ 23,642,597	\$ (211,196)
Licenses and Permits	1,573,000	1,917,903	344,903
Intergovernmental	702,823	780,760	77,937
Charges for Services	789,647	911,827	122,180
Miscellaneous	695,450	833,765	138,315
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
Operating Transfers In	788,080	889,437	101,357
Proceeds of General Obligation Debt	<u>262,400</u>	<u>262,400</u>	
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>28,665,193</u>	<u>29,238,689</u>	<u>573,496</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
<u>Current</u>			
General Government	2,563,043	2,460,243	102,800
Public Safety	5,208,341	5,161,090	47,251
Highways and Streets	1,590,035	1,890,601	(300,566)
Sanitation	2,487,341	2,379,157	108,184
Health	176,823	170,985	5,838
Welfare	94,437	83,454	10,983
Culture and Recreation	197,942	182,574	15,368
Conservation	1,425	1,425	
Debt Service	1,199,448	1,100,991	98,457
Capital Outlay	1,002,344	999,069	3,275
Intergovernmental	14,498,946	14,498,946	
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>			
Operating Transfers Out	<u>470,837</u>	<u>462,782</u>	<u>8,055</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>29,490,962</u>	<u>29,391,317</u>	<u>99,645</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>\$ (825,769)</u>	<u>(152,628)</u>	<u>\$ 673,141</u>
<u>Increase in Reserved Fund Balances</u>		359,922	
<u>Unreserved Fund Balances - January 1</u>		<u>1,505,151</u>	
<u>Unreserved Fund Balances - December 31</u>		<u>\$ 1,712,445</u>	

Annually Budget Special Revenue Funds			Totals (Memorandum Only)		
Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
\$	\$	\$	\$ 23,853,793	\$ 23,642,597	\$ (211,196)
			1,573,000	1,917,903	344,903
			702,823	780,760	77,937
	6,779	6,779	789,647	918,606	128,959
25,100	43,211	18,111	720,550	876,976	156,426
515,537	515,453	(84)	1,303,617	1,404,890	101,273
			<u>262,400</u>	<u>262,400</u>	
<u>540,637</u>	<u>565,443</u>	<u>24,806</u>	<u>29,205,830</u>	<u>29,804,132</u>	<u>598,302</u>
			2,563,043	2,460,243	102,800
			5,208,341	5,161,090	47,251
			1,590,035	1,890,601	(300,566)
			2,487,341	2,379,157	108,184
			176,823	170,985	5,838
			94,437	83,454	10,983
539,212	547,590	(8,378)	737,154	730,164	6,990
1,425	1,579	(154)	2,850	3,004	(154)
			1,199,448	1,100,991	98,457
			1,002,344	999,069	3,275
			14,498,946	14,498,946	
	<u>21,063</u>	<u>(21,063)</u>	<u>470,837</u>	<u>483,845</u>	<u>(13,008)</u>
<u>540,637</u>	<u>570,232</u>	<u>(29,595)</u>	<u>30,031,599</u>	<u>29,961,549</u>	<u>70,050</u>
<u>\$ -0-</u>	(4,789)	<u>\$ (4,789)</u>	<u>\$ (825,769)</u>	(157,417)	<u>\$ 668,352</u>
	1,529			361,451	
	<u>68,765</u>			<u>1,573,916</u>	
	<u>\$ 65,505</u>			<u>\$ 1,777,950</u>	

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT D
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Fiduciary <u>Fund Type</u> Nonexpendable <u>Trust Funds</u>
<u>Operating Revenues</u>	
New Funds	\$ 18,200
Interest and Dividends	858,640
Sale of Land	188,320
Capital Gains (Losses)	<u>(39,375)</u>
 <u>Total Operating Revenues</u>	 <u>1,025,785</u>
 <u>Operating Expenses</u>	
Trust Income Distributions	114
Management Fees	<u>15,308</u>
 <u>Total Operating Expenses</u>	 <u>15,422</u>
 <u>Operating Income</u>	 1,010,363
 <u>Operating Transfers</u>	
Transfers Out	<u>(860,732)</u>
 <u>Net Income</u>	 149,631
 <u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	 <u>13,187,728</u>
 <u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>	 <u>\$ 13,337,359</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT E
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Cash Flows
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendable Trust Funds
<u>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</u>	
Cash Received From Mortgagees	\$ 389,589
Interest and Dividends Received	877,564
New Funds Received	18,200
Trust Income Distributions	(16,063)
Operating Transfers Out - To Other Funds	<u>(913,609)</u>
<u>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</u>	355,681
<u>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</u>	
Net Purchase of Investment Securities	<u>(394,761)</u>
<u>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash</u>	(39,080)
<u>Cash - January 1</u>	<u>51,150</u>
<u>Cash - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 12,070</u>
<i>Reconciliation of Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</i>	
<u>Net Income</u>	<u>\$ 149,631</u>
<u>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</u>	
Capital Loss	39,375
<u>(Increase) Decrease in Receivables</u>	
Mortgage Notes (Net)	201,269
Interest	18,924
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	(641)
Increase (Decrease) in Due to Other Funds	<u>(52,877)</u>
<u>Total Adjustments</u>	<u>206,050</u>
<u>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</u>	<u>\$ 355,681</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The Town of Hampton, New Hampshire is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Board of Selectmen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Town of Hampton (primary government), and its component units. Component units are organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable or for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based on the foregoing criteria, no other organizations are included in the Town's financial reporting entity.

B. Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Town are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses, as appropriate. Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped by type in the financial statements. The following fund types and account groups are used by the Town:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental Funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Town are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the Town's expendable financial resources, and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The following are the Town's Governmental Fund Types:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges, and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action. The following funds are included in this fund type:

Lane Memorial Library
Conservation Commission
Cemetery Trustees

Village District Infrastructure
U.S.S. Hampton
Police Grants

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Capital Projects Funds - Transactions related to resources obtained and used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities not included in Enterprise Funds are accounted for in Capital Projects Funds. Such resources are derived principally from proceeds of long-term notes or bonds and from Federal and State grants. The following funds are included in this fund type:

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade
Municipal Landfill Closure

Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary Fund Types - These funds account for assets held by the Town as a trustee or agent for individuals and other units of governments.

The following funds are included in this fund type:

Nonexpendable Trust Fund
Town Trusts

Expendable Trust Fund
Capital Reserve

Agency Funds
Developers' Performance Bond
Deferred Compensation Plan
Kids Kingdom Committee

Account Groups

Account groups are not "funds." They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations. The Town uses the following account groups:

General Fixed Assets Account Group - General fixed assets have been acquired for general governmental purposes and have been recorded as expenditures in the fund making the expenditure. These expenditures are required to be capitalized at historical cost in a General Fixed Asset Group of Accounts for accountability purposes. In accordance with the practices followed by most other municipal entities in the State, the Town does not maintain such a record of its general fixed assets and, accordingly, a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in this financial report.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group - This account group is established to account for all long-term debt of the Town.

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C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Governmental, Expendable Trust and Agency Funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become both available and measurable (flow of current financial resources measurement focus). Licenses and permits, fines and forfeits, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash. General taxes, intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, and investment earnings are recorded when earned (when they are measurable and available). Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except expenditures for debt service, prepaid expenses, and other long-term obligations, which are recognized when due.

All Nonexpendable Trust Funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred (flow of economic resources measurement focus).

D. Budgetary Accounting

General Budget Policies

General governmental revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with various legal requirements which govern the Town's operations. At its annual meeting, the Town adopts a budget for the General and all significant Special Revenue Funds. Project-length financial plans are adopted for all Capital Project Funds. Except as reconciled below, budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Management may transfer appropriations between operating categories as they deem necessary, but expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations in total. All annual appropriations lapse at year-end unless encumbered.

State statutes require balanced budgets, but provide for the use of beginning unreserved fund balance to achieve that end. In the fiscal year 1996, \$825,769 of the beginning General Fund fund balance was applied for this purpose.

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and continuing appropriations (certain projects and specific items not fully expended at year end) are recognized, is employed in the governmental funds. Encumbrances are not the equivalent of expenditures and are therefore reported as part of the fund balance at December 31 and are carried forward to supplement appropriations of the subsequent year.

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Amounts recorded as budgetary expenditures in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General and Special Revenue Funds (Exhibit C) are presented on the basis budgeted by the Town. The amounts differ from those reported in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for All Governmental and Expendable Trust Funds (Exhibit B) as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>
<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>		
Per Exhibit C (Budgetary Basis)	\$ 29,391,317	\$ 570,232
<u>Adjustments</u>		
<u>Basis Difference</u>		
Encumbrances - December 31, 1995	1,033,193	
Encumbrances - December 31, 1996	(1,754,648)	
<u>Entity Difference</u>		
Unbudgeted Funds	<u> </u>	<u>57,823</u>
Per Exhibit B (GAAP Basis)	<u>\$ 28,669,862</u>	<u>\$ 628,055</u>

E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

Cash and Investments

The Town Treasurer is required by State statute to have custody of all monies belonging to the Town and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the selectmen. The Town Treasurer shall deposit all such monies in solvent banks in the state or in participation units in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383:22. Funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver to the state treasurer as collateral security for such deposits in value at least equal to the amount of the deposit in each case.

Whenever the Town Treasurer has an excess of funds which are not immediately needed for the purpose of expenditure, State statutes require the Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to invest the same in obligations of the United States government, in savings bank deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in certificates of deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in national banks located within this state or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Any person who directly or indirectly receives any such funds or monies for deposit or for investment in securities of any kind shall, prior to acceptance of such funds, make available at the time of such deposit or investment an option to have such funds secured by collateral having a value at least equal to the amount of such funds. Such collateral shall be segregated for the exclusive benefit of the town. Only securities defined by the bank commissioner as provided by rules adopted pursuant to RSA 386:57 shall be eligible to be pledged as collateral.

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For financial reporting purposes, cash and equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and money market funds, as well as certificates of deposit and short-term investments with original maturities of 90 days or less.

The Town is authorized by State statute to invest Trust Funds, including Capital Reserve Funds, in obligations of political subdivisions and stocks and bonds that are legal for investment by New Hampshire savings banks. Capital Reserve Funds must be kept in a separate account and not intermingled with other funds.

Investments are stated at cost or, in the case of donated investments, at the market value of the date of bequest or receipt.

Receivables

Revenues for the most part are recorded when received, except for the following items for which receivables have been recorded:

- a. Tax revenue is recorded when a warrant for collection is committed to the Tax Collector. However, the Town has reserved a portion of the uncollected taxes receivable based on historical trend information relative to collectibility. This reserve totals \$421,806 at December 31, 1996.

The National Council on Governmental Accounting (NCGA), Interpretation 3, *Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes*, requires that if property taxes are not collected within 60 days after year end, the revenue is not considered an "available spendable resource" and should be deferred. An exception to the general "60-day rule" is allowed in unusual circumstances. The Town has consistently recorded the property tax revenue when levied without deferral in accordance with the "60-day rule." Since this practice of recording the property tax revenue when levied is widely recognized as being generally accepted as the prevalent practice in New Hampshire, the Town believes that such practice is a knowledgeable application of the NCGA Interpretation 3 exception and therefore Level 4 GAAP compliance may be reached. Level 4 includes "widely recognized and prevalent practices."

As prescribed by law, the Tax Collector places a lien on properties for all uncollected property taxes in the following year after taxes are due. The lien on these properties has priority over other liens and accrues interest at 18% per annum.

If property is not redeemed within the 2-year redemption period, the property is tax-deeded to the Town.

- b. Interest on investments is recorded as revenue in the year earned.

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- c. Certain grants received from other governments require that eligible expenditures be made in order to earn the grant. Revenue for these grants is recorded for the period in which eligible expenditures are made.
- d. Various service charges are recorded as revenue for the period when service was provided. The receivables for such services are shown on the balance sheet net of an allowance for estimated uncollectibles.

Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of normal operations, the Town has transactions between funds, including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services and fund capital outlay. The accompanying governmental and fiduciary fund financial statements reflect such transactions as transfers. To the extent that certain transactions have not been paid or received as of December 31, balances of interfund amounts receivable or payable have been recorded.

Deferred Revenue

The government reports deferred revenue on its combined balance sheet. Deferred revenue arises when a potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. Deferred revenue also arises when resources are received by the government before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the government has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for deferred revenue is removed from the combined balance sheet and revenue is recognized.

Long-Term Liabilities

General Obligation Debt - General obligation bonds, notes, capital leases, and other forms of long-term debt supported by general revenues are obligations of the Town as a whole. Accordingly, such unmatured obligations of the Town are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

Compensated Absences - Employees may accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vested benefits, which will be paid to employees upon separation from the Town's service. In Governmental Fund Types the cost of vested benefits paid or expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported as an expenditure and fund liability of the fund. Amounts of vested or accumulated leave benefits that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in the general long-term debt account group. No expenditure is reported for these amounts.

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Fund Equity

The portion of fund balance which has been legally segregated for a specific future use, or which indicates that a portion is not appropriable for expenditures, is shown as reserved. The following reserves were used by the Town during the year:

Reserve for Contingencies - represents the amount management has determined is required to cover for property tax abatements, plus interest costs.

Reserve for Endowments - represents the principal balance of Nonexpendable Trust Funds which must be held for investment purposes only.

Reserve for Encumbrances - is used to account for open purchase orders, contracts and other commitments at year end for which goods and services have not been received.

Reserve for Special Purposes - is used to account for the unencumbered balance of restricted funds. These include the uncommitted balances of bond proceeds, the Town's Expendable Trust Funds, and the income portion of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds.

F. Total Columns (Memorandum Only) on Combined Statements

Amounts in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns in the combined financial statement line items of the fund types and account groups are presented for analytical purposes only. The summation includes fund types and account groups that use different bases of accounting, includes interfund transactions that have not been eliminated and the caption "amounts to be provided," which is not an asset in the usual sense. Consequently, amounts shown in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns are not comparable to a consolidation and do not represent the total resources available or total revenues and expenditures/expenses of the Town.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Deficit Fund Balances

Project Deficit

There is a deficit of \$10,044 in the Capital Projects (Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade) Fund at December 31, 1996. This deficit arises because of the application of generally accepted accounting principles to the financial reporting for this fund. Bonds or notes authorized to finance the project are not recognized on the financial statements until issued.

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B. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

The following governmental funds had an excess of expenditures over appropriations for the year ended December 31, 1996:

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	
Conservation Commission	\$ 154
Cemetery Trustees	<u>44,830</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 44,984</u>

Overexpenditures occurred primarily due to the receipt and expenditure of unanticipated funds.

NOTE 3 - ASSETS

A. Cash and Equivalents

At year end, the Town's cash deposits categorized according to risk assumed were as follows:

Category 1 Includes deposits that are insured (Federal Depository Insurance).

Category 2 Includes deposits that are uninsured, but are collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution, its trust department or agent in the Town's name.

Category 3 Includes deposits that are uninsured and uncollateralized.

	<u>Category</u>			<u>Total</u>	
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>
<u>Cash</u>					
Bank Deposits	\$ 288,293	\$	\$ 492,484	\$ 780,777	\$ 499,082
Certificates of Deposit	<u>34,140</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>34,140</u>	<u>34,140</u>
<u>Total Cash</u>	<u>\$ 322,433</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 492,484</u>	\$ 814,917	\$ 533,222
<u>Cash Equivalents</u>					
Repurchase Agreements				<u>7,188,855</u>	<u>7,188,855</u>
<u>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>				<u>\$ 8,003,772</u>	<u>\$ 7,722,077</u>

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Repurchase Agreements

Included in the Town's cash equivalents at December 31, 1996, were short-term investments in repurchase agreements issued by a local banking institution. Under these agreements, the Town will be repaid principal plus interest on a specified date which is subsequent to year end. The agreement is guaranteed/collateralized with securities held by the banking institution which exceed the amount of the agreement. To the extent that the banking institution may default on its commitment to these obligations, the Town is at risk of economic loss. Management considers this exposure to be minimal. At December 31, 1996, the Town held investments in repurchase agreements as follows:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Underlying Securities</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
<u>\$ 7,188,855</u>	5.08%	January 2, 1997	GNMA	<u>\$ 7,193,928</u>

B. Investments

Investments made by the Town are summarized below. The investments that are represented by specific identifiable investment securities are classified as to credit risk into three categories as follows:

- Category 1* Includes investments that are insured or registered, for which the securities are held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name.
- Category 2* Includes uninsured and unregistered investments, for which the securities are held by the Town, broker, counter party's trust department or agent in the Town's name.
- Category 3* Includes uninsured and unregistered investments, for which the securities are held by the broker, counter party, counter party's trust department, or agent, but not in the Town's name.

	<u>Category</u>			<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>		
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 48,104	\$ 172,310	\$	\$ 220,414	\$ 220,414
US Government Obligations			12,376,391	12,376,391	12,402,138
Capital Notes			10,000	10,000	
	<u>\$ 48,104</u>	<u>\$ 172,310</u>	<u>\$ 12,386,391</u>	<u>\$ 12,606,805</u>	<u>\$ 12,622,552</u>
Mutual Funds				<u>849,822</u>	<u>849,822</u>
<u>Total Investments</u>				<u>\$ 13,456,627</u>	<u>\$ 13,472,374</u>

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C. Property Taxes

The property tax year is from April 1 to March 31 and all property taxes are assessed on the inventory taken in April of that year. The net assessed valuation as of April 1, 1996, upon which the 1996 property tax levy was based was \$1,099,342,700.

The Town subscribes to the semi-annual method of tax collection as provided for by RSA 76:15-a. Under this method, tax bills are sent on or around June 1 and November 1 of each year, with interest accruing at a rate of 12% on bills outstanding for more than 30 days.

The June 1 billing is considered an estimate only and is one half of the previous year's tax billing. The remaining balance of taxes due is billed in the fall after the State Department of Revenue Administration has calculated and approved the Town's tax rate for the fiscal year.

In connection with the setting of the tax rate, Town Officials, with the approval of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, establish and raise through taxation an amount for abatements and refunds of property and resident taxes, known as overlay. This amount is reported as a reduction in tax revenue and is adjusted by management for any tax reserves at year end. The property taxes collected by the Town include taxes levied for the Hampton and Winnacunnet Cooperative School Districts, Rockingham County, and Hampton Beach Village District, which are remitted to these governmental units as required by law. The ultimate responsibility for the collection of taxes rests with the Town.

As prescribed by law, within 18 months of the date assessed, the Tax Collector places a lien on properties for all uncollected property taxes in the following year after taxes are due. The lien on these properties has priority over other liens and accrues interest at 18% per annum. If property is not redeemed within the 2-year redemption period, the property is tax-deeded to the Town.

During the current fiscal year, the Tax Collector on April 9 placed a lien for all uncollected 1995 property taxes.

Taxes receivable at December 31, 1996, are as follows:

<u>Property Taxes</u>	
Levy of 1996 (second semi-annual billing)	\$ 1,442,308
<u>Unredeemed Taxes (under tax lien)</u>	
Levy of 1995	418,383
Levy of 1994	190,084
Levy of 1993	11,511
Levy of 1992	5,150
Levy of 1991	972
Yield Taxes	590
Less: Reserve for estimated uncollectible taxes	<u>(421,806)</u>
<u>Total Taxes Receivable</u>	<u>\$ 1,647,192</u>

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D. Other Receivables

Receivables as of December 31, 1996, are as follows:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Receivables</u>			
Interest	\$	\$ 177,597	\$ 177,597
Liens	129,114		129,114
Accounts	425,941		425,941
Intergovernmental	16,938		16,938
Other	8,194		8,194
Due from Investment Services		2,078,091	2,078,091
Mortgages *		573,202	573,202
Allowance for Uncollectible Amounts	<u>(296,393)</u>	<u> </u>	<u>(296,393)</u>
<u>Net Total Receivables</u>	<u>\$ 283,794</u>	<u>\$ 2,828,890</u>	<u>\$ 3,112,684</u>

* Mortgage notes receivable represent loans being administered by Fleet Real Estate Funding Corporation in accordance with legislation enacted March 15, 1983, covering the sale of former leased lands within the Town of Hampton

E. Interfund Receivables/Payables

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances at December 31, 1996 are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
General Fund	\$ 839,929	\$ 50,099
<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>		
Lane Memorial Library	6,207	
Cemetery Trustees	16,700	1,397
U.S.S. Hampton	2,115	
<u>Capital Projects Funds</u>		
Municipal Landfill Closure	25,456	
Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade		3,179
<u>Trust Fund</u>		
Nonexpendable - Town Trust	<u> </u>	<u>835,732</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 890,407</u>	<u>\$ 890,407</u>

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F. Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets, errors or omissions, injuries to employees, or acts of God. During fiscal year 1996, the Town was a member of the New Hampshire Municipal Association Property-Liability Insurance Trust, Inc. and the compensation funds of the New Hampshire Workers' Compensation Fund. These entities are considered public entity risk pools, currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for member towns and cities.

The New Hampshire Municipal Association Property-Liability Insurance Trust, Inc. is a Trust organized to provide certain property and liability insurance coverages to member towns, cities and other qualified political subdivisions of New Hampshire. As a member of the NHMA Property-Liability Insurance Trust, Inc., the Town shares in contributing to the cost of, and receiving benefits from, a self-insured pooled risk management program. The membership and coverage run from July 1 to June 30. The program includes a Self-Insured Retention Fund from which is paid up to \$500,000 for each and every covered property, crime and/or liability loss subject to a \$1,000 deductible, and each and every covered General Liability and Public Officials Liability Loss.

The Trust maintains, on behalf of its members, the following re-insurance policies shared by the membership for the year ended June 30, 1997.

1. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company (USF&G) Casualty Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #GC12225404500 which provides general liability and public officials liability coverage in the amount of \$1,500,000 in excess of the Trust's Self-Insured Retention for each and every loss.
2. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company (USF&G) Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #GC12225404600 which provides property and auto physical damage coverage in the amount of \$500,000 in excess of the Trust's Self-Insured Retention for each and every loss.
3. Swiss Reinsurance America Corporation Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #116781 which provides property and auto physical damage coverage in excess of the Trust Self-Insured Retention and the (USF&G) Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate, up to the total property and vehicle schedule on file with the Trust for its entire membership.
4. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Corporation provides some members with higher limits of from \$1 to \$4 million in excess of the underlying \$2 million.
5. Members of the Trust also share Kemper National Insurance Companies Boiler and Machinery Policy #3XN 025 476-01 which provides a \$30,000,000 limit resulting from any "one accident" subject to a \$1,000 deductible.

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Contributions paid in 1996 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, to be recorded as an insurance expense/expenditure totaled \$238,145. Return contributions paid in 1996 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1996 totaled \$9. Unpaid contributions for the year ending June 30, 1997 and due in 1996 were \$-0-. Claims submitted to the Trust that have been billed to the Town for their portion of payment (i.e., deductible) as of December 31, 1996, totaled \$-0-. During December 1996, \$55,141 was returned to the Town of Hampton as its 1996 "dividend" for the years 1989 through 1994.

The Trust Agreement permits the Trust to make additional assessments to members should there be a deficiency in Trust assets to meet its liabilities. At this time, the Town foresees no likelihood of an additional assessment for any of the past years.

Compensation Funds of New Hampshire - Workers' Compensation Fund is a Trust organized to provide statutory workers' compensation and employer's liability self-insurance coverage to member towns, cities, school districts, and other qualified political subdivisions of New Hampshire. As a member of Compensation Funds of New Hampshire - Workers' Compensation Fund, the Town of Hampton shares in contributing to the cost of and receiving benefits from a self-insured pooled risk management program. The membership and coverage runs from January 1 to December 31. The coverage is for the statutorily required workers' compensation benefits and employer's liability coverage up to \$1,000,000. The program includes a Loss Fund from which is paid up to \$375,000 for each and every covered claim.

The Trust maintained on behalf of its members the following insurance policy shared by the membership for the year ended December 31, 1996:

Aggregate reinsurance to cover total claims should they exceed the Loss Fund established by the Trust (coverage to \$5,000,000).

The Trust Agreement permits the Trust to make additional assessments to members should there be a deficiency in Trust assets to meet its liabilities. At this time, the Trust foresees no likelihood of any additional assessments for any of the past years.

The Town continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including employee and public official fidelity bonds, health and accident insurance.

NOTE 4 - LIABILITIES

A. Intergovernmental Payable

Payables due other governments at December 31, 1996 include:

<u>General Fund</u>	
Hampton School District	\$ 4,475,525
Winnacunnet School District	1,763,040
State of New Hampshire	3,207
Federal Emergency Management Agency	<u>9,723</u>
<u>Total General Fund</u>	\$ 6,251,495
<u>Trust Funds</u>	
<u>Capital Reserve</u>	
Hampton Beach Village Precinct	<u>16,951</u>
<u>Total Intergovernmental Payable</u>	<u>\$ 6,268,446</u>

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B. Deferred Revenue

General Fund

Deferred revenue of \$28,553 at December 31, 1996, consists of revenue collected in advance of the fiscal year to which it applies.

C. Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Plan Description and Provisions

The New Hampshire Retirement System (System) is the administrator of a cost-sharing multiple-employer contributory pension plan and trust established in 1967 by RSA 100-A:2 and is qualified as a tax-exempt organization under Sections 401 (a) and 501 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan is a contributory, defined benefit plan providing service, disability, death and vested retirement benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Substantially all full-time state employees, public school teachers and administrators, permanent firefighters and permanent police officers within the State of New Hampshire are eligible and required to participate in the System. Full-time employees of political subdivisions, including counties, municipalities and school districts, are also eligible to participate as a group if the governing body of the political subdivision has elected participation. The Town participates in the System and the payroll for employees covered by the System for the year ended December 31, 1996, was 6,356,962; the Town's total payroll was \$7,132,843.

All full-time employees are eligible to participate in the System. The System is divided into two employee groups; **Group I** - teachers and all other employees except firefighters and police officers, and **Group II** - firefighters and police officers.

Group I - Members at age 60 qualify for a normal service retirement allowance based on years of creditable service and average final salary for the highest three years. The yearly pension amount is 1/60 or 1.667% of average final compensation (AFC), multiplied by years of creditable service. AFC is defined as the average of the three highest salary years, and for benefit calculation purposes only, the final year's salary can not exceed by more than 150% the higher of the previous year's salary or the salary for the highest year used in the calculation of AFC (not including the final year's salary). At age 65, the yearly pension amount is recalculated at 1/66 or 1.515% of AFC multiplied by years of creditable service. Members in service with 10 or more years creditable service who are between age 50 and 60 or members in service with at least 20 or more years of service, whose age plus service is equal to or greater than 70 are entitled to a retirement allowance with appropriate graduated reduction based on years of creditable service.

Group II - Members who are age 60, or members who are at least age 45 with at least 20 years creditable service can receive a retirement allowance at a rate of 2.5% of AFC for each year of creditable service, not to exceed 40 years.

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Members of both groups may qualify for vested deferred allowances, disability allowances, and death benefit allowances subject to meeting various eligibility requirements; benefits are based on AFC or earnable compensation and/or service.

The State of New Hampshire funds 35% of employer costs for firefighters and police officers employed by the Town. The State does not participate in funding the employer cost of other Town employees.

Description of Funding Policy

The System is financed by contributions from both the employees and the Town. By State statute, Group I employees are required to contribute 5% of earnable compensation. Group II employees are required to contribute 9.3% of gross earnings. The Town contributed 2.73% for police officers, 5.12% for firefighters and 3.39% for other employees, during the year ended December 31, 1996. The contribution requirement was as follows:

Town's Portion	\$ 237,871
Employees' Portion	<u>476,797</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 714,668</u>

The amount shown as "pension benefit obligation" is based on a standardized measurement which reflects the present value of pension benefits, adjusted for the effects of projected salary increases and step-rate benefits, estimated to be payable in the future as a result of employee service to date. The measure, which is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits, is intended to help users assess the System's funding status on a going-concern basis, assess progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, and make comparisons among PERS and employers. The System does not make separate measurements of assets and pension benefit obligations for individual employers. The pension benefit obligation at June 30, 1996, for the System as a whole, determined through an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 1995, projected to June 30, 1996, was \$2.419 billion. The System's net assets available for benefits on June 30, 1996, (valued at market) were \$2.564 billion. The System holds none of the Town's securities.

Trend Information

Historical trend information showing the System's progress in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due is available and is presented in the System's June 30, 1996 annual financial report (the latest year available).

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Deferred Compensation Plan - The Town offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan, available to all employees, permits the employees to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. The plan assets and a corresponding liability to employees for deferred compensation is recorded in an agency fund. Plan assets are reported at fair market value.

The plan is administered by an independent company, and the Town remits all compensation deferred to this administrator for investment as requested by the participant employees. All compensation deferred and funded under the plan, all investments purchased and all income attributable thereto are solely the property and rights of the Town (until paid or made available to the employee or other beneficiary), subject only to the claims of the Town's general creditors. Participants' rights under the plan are equal to those of general creditors of the Town in an amount equal to the fair market value of the deferred account for each participant.

It is the opinion of Management that the Town has no liability for losses under the plan but does have the duty of due care that would be required of an ordinary prudent investor. The Town believes that it is unlikely that it will use the assets to satisfy the claims of general creditors in the future.

Postemployment Healthcare Benefits - The Town does not provide postemployment healthcare benefits except those mandated by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA). The requirements established by COBRA are fully funded by employees who elect coverage under the Act, and no direct costs are incurred by the Town.

D. Construction and Other Significant Commitments

As of December 31, 1996, the Town had the following commitments with respect to unfinished capital projects:

<u>Capital Project</u>	<u>Remaining Construction Commitment</u>	<u>Expected Date of Completion</u>
<u>General Fund</u>		
Traffic Signal Installation	\$61,964	1997
<u>Capital Project Fund</u>		
Municipal Landfill Closure	\$96,308	1997

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E. Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

Federal and State laws and regulations require that the Town place a final cover on its unlined landfill and perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill site after closure. The Town is currently in the process of closing its municipal landfill and the current expenditures related thereto are reflected in the Municipal Landfill Closure Capital Projects Fund. A liability is being recognized in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group for the future postclosure care costs of \$750,000 (Estimated \$25,000 per year for 30 years) which is based on the amount that would be paid if all services required to monitor and maintain the landfill were acquired as of December 31, 1996. However, the actual cost of postclosure care may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in landfill laws and regulations.

The Town expects to finance the postclosure care costs by General Fund Revenue.

F. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of the Town's general long-term debt transactions for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1996:

	General Obligation Debt Payable	Capital Leases Payable	Compensated Absences Payable	Accrued Landfill Postclosure Care Cost	Total
<i>General Long-Term Debt Account Group</i>					
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$7,677,489	\$ 85,066	\$ 800,285	\$ 750,000	\$ 9,312,840
Issued	425,000				425,000
Retired	(615,624)	(73,078)			(688,702)
Adjustment in Loan Payable	(25,770)				(25,770)
Net increase in compensated absences payable			53,722		53,722
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$7,461,095</u>	<u>\$ 11,988</u>	<u>\$ 854,007</u>	<u>\$ 750,000</u>	<u>\$ 9,077,090</u>

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Long-term debt payable at December 31, 1996, is comprised of the following individual issues:

<u>Description of Issue</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Interest Rate %</u>	<u>Outstanding at 12/31/96</u>
<u>General Long-Term</u>					
<u>Debt Account Group</u>					
<u>General Obligation</u>					
<u>Debt Payable</u>					
Sewer Construction Bonds	\$1,280,000	1975	2004	6.75	\$ 225,000
Sewer Bonds	\$800,000	1985	2005	7.50-8.50	360,000
Sewer Construction Bonds	\$7,800,000	1986	2006	7.50-8.50	3,900,000
Sewer Construction Loan	\$2,712,489	1995	2015	4.632	2,551,095
Multi-Purpose Note	\$425,000	1996	1999	4.83	<u>425,000</u>
					<u>\$ 7,461,095</u>
<u>Capital Lease Payable</u>					
1992 Chevrolet C7H042	\$62,291	1992	1997	7.50	<u>\$ 11,988</u>
<u>Compensated Absences Payable</u>					
Vested Sick Leave					\$ 660,734
Accrued Vacation Leave					<u>193,273</u>
					<u>\$ 854,007</u>
<u>Accrued Landfill</u>					
Postclosure Care Cost					<u>\$ 750,000</u>
<u>Total General Long-Term</u>					
<u>Debt Account Group</u>					<u>\$ 9,077,090</u>

Annual Requirements To Amortize Governmental Fund Debt

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation debt outstanding as of December 31, 1996, including interest payments, are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Governmental Fund Debt</u>		
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
1997	\$ 754,714	\$ 480,365	\$ 1,235,079
1998	731,003	429,341	1,160,344
1999	731,002	380,804	1,111,806
2000	589,336	331,767	921,103
2001	589,336	289,033	878,369
2002-2015	<u>4,065,704</u>	<u>1,084,933</u>	<u>5,150,637</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 7,461,095</u>	<u>\$ 2,996,243</u>	<u>\$10,457,338</u>

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Annual Requirements to Amortize Capital Leases

<u>Fiscal Year Ending</u> <u>December 31.</u>	<u>Capital Leases</u>		
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
1997	<u>\$11,988</u>	<u>\$ 416</u>	<u>\$12,404</u>

All debt is general obligation debt of the Town, which is backed by its full faith and credit. All debt will be repaid from general governmental revenues.

The lease-purchase agreement contains a non-appropriation funding clause whereby, in the event no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated by the Town, the lease shall terminate without penalty or expense to the Town.

Bonds or Notes Authorized - Unissued

Bonds and notes authorized and unissued as of December 31, 1996 were as follows:

<u>Per</u> <u>Town Meeting</u> <u>Vote of</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Unissued</u> <u>Amount</u>
March 14, 1995	Route 1 Upgrade	\$ 2,400,000

Loans Authorized - Unissued

At the annual Town Meeting held on March 14, 1995, Article #13 authorized \$4,986,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, land acquisitions and/or easements for the closure of the Town of Hampton Municipal Landfill. Additionally, Article #15 authorized \$1,402,900 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, land acquisitions and/or easements and for the construction of sewerage and sewage treatment facilities. These articles authorized the Selectmen to participate in the State of New Hampshire Revolving Loan Program under RSA 486:14 which was established for these purposes. The Town has entered into agreements with the State of New Hampshire for the full amounts authorized.

The Town has recorded loan proceeds of \$2,440,787 in the Municipal Landfill Closure Fund and in the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Fund for the year ended December 31, 1996. This brings the total borrowed to date to \$4,080,297 for the Municipal Landfill Closure Fund and \$231,945 in the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Fund. Loans authorized - unissued at December 31, 1996, total \$905,703 in the Municipal Landfill Closure Fund and \$1,168,913 in the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Fund. This debt is not recorded by the Town until all loans draw downs are completed.

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State Aid to Water Pollution Projects

In addition to local revenues, the "Amount To Be Provided For Retirement of General Long-Term Debt," includes the following amounts to be received from the State of New Hampshire in the form of State Aid to Water Pollution Projects:

<u>Bond Issues</u>	<u>State Aid Grant Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
\$7,800,000 Sewer Construction Bonds	C-384	\$ 414,160
\$800,000 Sewer Bonds	C-383	70,874
\$1,280,000 Sewer Construction Bonds	C-124	<u>170,554</u>
<u>Total</u>		<u>\$ 655,588</u>

Under RSA Chapter 486, the Town receives from the State of New Hampshire a percent of the annual amortization charges on the original costs resulting from the acquisition and construction of sewage disposal facilities. At December 31, 1996, the Town is due to receive the following annual amounts to offset principal debt payments:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
1997	80,300
1998	64,796
1999	64,796
2000	64,796
2001	64,796
2002-2006	<u>316,104</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 655,588</u>

NOTE 5 - FUND EQUITY

A. Reservations of Fund Balances

Reserve for Encumbrances

Funds encumbered at year end were as follows:

General Fund	\$ 1,754,648
<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	
Municipal Landfill Closure Fund	<u>96,308</u>
<u>Total Reserve for Encumbrances</u>	<u>\$ 1,850,956</u>

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Reserve for Special Purposes

In the Trust and Agency Funds, the reserve for special purposes represents the unspent balance of the Town's Trust Funds which may be spent for the purposes specified as follows:

<u>Nonexpendable Trust Funds</u> (Income Balances)	
Cemetery	\$12,828
Town Needy	1
Library	1
Sports Scholarship	<u>249</u>
<u>Total Nonexpendable Trust Funds</u>	\$ 13,079
<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>	
Firefighting Apparatus	<u>25,032</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 38,111</u>

Reserved for Contingencies

In the General Fund, the reserve for contingencies, totaling \$20,154 represents the amount management has determined is required to cover for property tax abatements, plus interest costs.

Reserved for Endowments

The amount reserved for endowments at December 31, 1996 represents the principal amount of all Nonexpendable Trust Funds which is restricted either by law or by terms of individual bequests, in that only income earned may be expended. The principal balances of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds at December 31, 1996 are detailed as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Principal</u>
Real Estate Trust	\$ 13,143,773
Cemetery	163,323
Town Needy	3,781
Library	9,636
Sports Scholarship	<u>3,767</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 13,324,280</u>

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B. Unreserved Fund Balances

Designated for Special Purposes

The \$85,895 designated for special purposes, represents Special Revenue Fund balances which management intends to use in the subsequent years, is as follows:

Special Revenue Funds

Lane Memorial Library	\$ 52,799
Conservation Commission	14,281
Cemetery Trustees	16,700
U.S.S. Hampton	<u>2,115</u>

<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 85,895</u>
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NOTE 6 - SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES

A. Litigation

There are various claims and suits pending against the Town which arise in the normal course of the Town's activities. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these various claims and suits will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Town.

B. Grants

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the Federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

COMBINING AND INDIVIDUAL FUND
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*SCHEDULE A-1
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996*

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>
<u>Taxes</u>			
Property	\$ 23,473,078	\$ 23,351,038	\$ (122,040)
Yield	590	590	
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	<u>380,125</u>	<u>290,969</u>	<u>(89,156)</u>
Total Taxes	<u>23,853,793</u>	<u>23,642,597</u>	<u>(211,196)</u>
<u>Licenses and Permits</u>			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,447,000	1,784,750	337,750
Building Permits	100,000	106,489	6,489
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees	<u>26,000</u>	<u>26,664</u>	<u>664</u>
Total Licenses and Permits	<u>1,573,000</u>	<u>1,917,903</u>	<u>344,903</u>
<u>Intergovernmental Revenues</u>			
<u>State</u>			
Shared Revenue	169,644	169,644	
Business Profits Tax	211,142	211,141	(1)
Highway Block Grant	170,602	170,602	
Water Pollution Grants	137,565	184,762	47,197
Other Reimbursements	13,870	6,555	(7,315)
<u>Federal</u>			
Other		<u>38,056</u>	<u>38,056</u>
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>702,823</u>	<u>780,760</u>	<u>77,937</u>
<u>Charges For Services</u>			
Income From Departments	603,655	725,835	122,180
Other	<u>185,992</u>	<u>185,992</u>	
Total Charges For Services	<u>789,647</u>	<u>911,827</u>	<u>122,180</u>
<u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u>			
Sale of Municipal Property	3,220	3,219	(1)
Interest on Investments	135,000	198,709	63,709
Rent of Property	39,395	41,913	2,518
Fines and Forfeits	25,000	36,410	11,410
Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements	424,203	483,776	59,573
Cable Franchise Fees	68,332	68,332	
Other	<u>300</u>	<u>1,406</u>	<u>1,106</u>
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>695,450</u>	<u>833,765</u>	<u>138,315</u>
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>			
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>			
Special Revenue Funds		46,708	46,708
Trust and Agency Funds	<u>788,080</u>	<u>842,729</u>	<u>54,649</u>
Total Operating Transfers In	<u>788,080</u>	<u>889,437</u>	<u>101,357</u>
<u>Proceeds of General Obligation Debt</u>			
General Obligation Notes	<u>262,400</u>	<u>262,400</u>	
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>1,050,480</u>	<u>1,151,837</u>	<u>101,357</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>28,665,193</u>	<u>\$ 29,238,689</u>	<u>\$ 573,496</u>
<u>Unreserved Fund Balance Used To Reduce Tax Rate</u>	<u>825,769</u>		
<u>Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources and Use of Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 29,490,962</u>		

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*SCHEDULE A-2
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996*

	Encumbered From 1995	Appropriations 1996	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 1997	(Over) Under Budget
Current					
General Government					
Executive	\$	\$ 74,360	\$ 74,370	\$	\$ (10)
Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics		120,438	118,533		1,905
Financial Administration		439,812	408,450	479	30,883
Legal Expenses		95,500	114,449		(18,949)
Personnel Administration		460,111	433,643		26,468
Planning and Zoning		30,555	28,943		1,612
General Government Buildings		48,033	44,374		3,659
Cemeteries		52,974	51,863		1,111
Insurance, not otherwise allocated		1,190,510	1,137,606		52,904
Other		50,750	47,533		3,217
Total General Government		2,563,043	2,459,764	479	102,800
Public Safety					
Police Department	1,398	2,682,062	2,586,918	79,477	17,065
Fire Department		2,383,642	2,357,341	3,091	23,210
Building Inspection		117,637	116,679	280	678
Emergency Management		500	549		(49)
Other Public Safety		24,500	18,153		6,347
Total Public Safety	1,398	5,208,341	5,079,640	82,848	47,251
Highways and Streets					
Highways and Streets	5,083	1,379,095	1,425,276	259,524	(300,622)
Street Lighting		210,940	148,920	61,964	56
Total Highways and Streets	5,083	1,590,035	1,574,196	321,488	(300,566)
Sanitation					
Administration	2,430	1,180,191	1,053,881	24,142	104,598
Solid Waste Collection	900	470,049	465,162	58,162	(52,375)
Sewage Collection and Disposal	47,813	837,101	821,239	7,714	55,961
Total Sanitation	51,143	2,487,341	2,340,282	90,018	108,184
Health					
Animal Control		89,501	83,664		5,837
Health Agencies and Hospitals		87,322	87,321		1
Total Health		176,823	170,985		5,838
Welfare					
Direct Assistance		94,437	83,454		10,983
Culture and Recreation					
Parks and Recreation		195,292	179,073	1,128	15,091
Patriotic Purposes		1,800	1,637		163
Other Culture and Recreation		850	736		114
Total Culture and Recreation		197,942	181,446	1,128	15,368
Conservation					
		1,425	1,425		

SCHEDULE A-2 (Continued)
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Encumbered From 1995	Appropriations 1996	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 1997	(Over) Under Budget
<u>Debt Service</u>					
Principal of Long-Term Debt		615,624	615,624		
Interest Expense - Long-Term Debt		483,824	483,824		
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes		<u>100,000</u>	<u>1,543</u>		<u>98,457</u>
Total Debt Service		<u>1,199,448</u>	<u>1,100,991</u>		<u>98,457</u>
<u>Capital Outlay</u>					
Land Improvements	66,987		64,398		2,589
Woodland Road Sewer	120,982		120,982		
Sun Valley Sewer	787,600	562,400	95,534	1,254,466	
Campbell Farm Purchase		162,400	161,996		404
Ambulance		100,000	100,000		
Beach Playground		51,000	51,000		
Digitize Maps/Plotter		35,775	35,308	185	282
Kids Kingdom		35,000	35,000		
SRF Loan Interest		25,769	25,769		
Culvert/Inlet Project		<u>30,000</u>	<u>25,964</u>	<u>4,036</u>	
Total Capital Outlay	<u>975,569</u>	<u>1,002,344</u>	<u>715,951</u>	<u>1,258,687</u>	<u>3,275</u>
<u>Intergovernmental</u>					
School District Assessments		12,594,565	12,594,565		
County Tax Assessment		1,596,924	1,596,924		
Precinct Assessment		<u>307,457</u>	<u>307,457</u>		
Total Intergovernmental		<u>14,498,946</u>	<u>14,498,946</u>		
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>					
Operating Transfers Out					
Interfund Transfers					
Special Revenue Funds		<u>470,837</u>	<u>462,782</u>		<u>8,055</u>
<u>Total Appropriations,</u>					
<u>Expenditures and Encumbrances</u>	<u>\$ 1,033,193</u>	<u>\$29,490,962</u>	<u>\$28,669,862</u>	<u>\$ 1,754,648</u>	<u>\$ 99,645</u>

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*SCHEDULE A-3
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996*

<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u>		
<u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>		\$ 1,505,151
<u>Deduction</u>		
Unreserved Fund Balance Used		
To Reduce 1996 Tax Rate	<u>825,769</u>	
		\$ 679,382
<u>Additions</u>		
<u>1996 Budget Summary</u>		
Revenue Surplus (Schedule A-1)	\$ 573,496	
Unexpended Balance of		
Appropriations (Schedule A-2)	<u>99,645</u>	
1996 Budget Surplus		\$ 673,141
Decrease In Reserve For Contingencies	<u>359,922</u>	
Total Additions		<u>1,033,063</u>
<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u>		
<u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>		<u>\$ 1,712,445</u>

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*SCHEDULE B-1
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 1996*

	Lane Memorial <u>Library</u>	Conservation <u>Commission</u>	Cemetery <u>Trustees</u>	Village District <u>Infrastructure</u>	U.S.S. <u>Hampton</u>	Police <u>Grants</u>	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>							
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 46,592	\$ 14,281	\$ 1,397	\$	\$	\$	\$ 62,270
<u>Receivables</u>							
Interfund Receivable	<u>6,207</u>	<u> </u>	<u>16,700</u>	<u> </u>	<u>2,115</u>	<u> </u>	<u>25,022</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 52,799</u>	 <u>\$ 14,281</u>	 <u>\$ 18,097</u>	 <u>\$ -0-</u>	 <u>\$ 2,115</u>	 <u>\$ -0-</u>	 <u>\$ 87,292</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>							
<u>Liabilities</u>							
Interfund Payable	\$	\$	\$ 1,397	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1,397
 <u>Fund Balances</u>							
<u>Unreserved</u>							
Designated For Special Purposes	<u>52,799</u>	<u>14,281</u>	<u>16,700</u>	<u> </u>	<u>2,115</u>	<u> </u>	<u>85,895</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	 <u>\$ 52,799</u>	 <u>\$ 14,281</u>	 <u>\$ 18,097</u>	 <u>\$ -0-</u>	 <u>\$ 2,115</u>	 <u>\$ -0-</u>	 <u>\$ 87,292</u>

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SCHEDULE B-2
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Lane Memorial <u>Library</u>	Conservation <u>Commission</u>	Cemetery <u>Trustees</u>	Village District <u>Infrastructure</u>	U.S.S. <u>Hampton</u>	Police <u>Grants</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Revenues</u>							
Charges for Services	\$ 6,779	\$	\$	\$ 46,708	\$	\$	\$ 53,487
Miscellaneous	25,078	1,022	17,111		8,159		51,370
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>							
Operating Transfers In	<u>444,686</u>	<u>1,425</u>	<u>69,342</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>515,453</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>476,543</u>	<u>2,447</u>	<u>86,453</u>	<u>46,708</u>	<u>8,159</u>	<u> </u>	<u>620,310</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>							
<u>Current</u>							
Conservation		1,579					1,579
Culture and Recreation	480,548		67,042		6,044		553,634
Capital Outlay						5,071	5,071
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>							
Operating Transfers Out	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>21,063</u>	<u>46,708</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>67,771</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>480,548</u>	<u>1,579</u>	<u>88,105</u>	<u>46,708</u>	<u>6,044</u>	<u>5,071</u>	<u>628,055</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	(4,005)	868	(1,652)		2,115	(5,071)	(7,745)
<u>Fund Balances - January 1</u>	<u>56,804</u>	<u>13,413</u>	<u>18,352</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>5,071</u>	<u>93,640</u>
<u>Fund Balances - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 52,799</u>	<u>\$ 14,281</u>	<u>\$ 16,700</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 2,115</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 85,895</u>

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SCHEDULE B-3
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Fund - Lane Memorial Library
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	<u>Operating Account</u>	<u>Fines Account</u>	<u>Trustees Account</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Revenues</u>				
<u>Charges For Services</u>				
Video Rentals	\$	\$ 4,809	\$	\$ 4,809
Nonresident Fees		1,970		1,970
<u>Miscellaneous</u>				
Book Sales and Fines		11,455		11,455
Interest Income	348	212	1,683	2,243
Meeting Room Rentals		890		890
Fundraising		952		952
Donations			415	415
Other		1,135		1,135
Copy Machine		1,696		1,696
Intra Account Transfer		6,292		6,292
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>				
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>				
General Fund	443,698			443,698
Trust Funds	<u>609</u>	<u> </u>	<u>379</u>	<u>988</u>
<u>Total Revenues and</u>				
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>444,655</u>	<u>29,411</u>	<u>2,477</u>	<u>476,543</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>				
<u>Current</u>				
<u>Culture and Recreation</u>				
Salaries and Benefits	302,297			302,297
Administrative Costs	32,596	2,090	1,679	36,365
Books, Periodicals and Programs	71,741	9,704		81,445
Operations and Maintenance of Facilities	26,838	9,776		36,614
Capital Acquisitions and Improvements		10,097	7,438	17,535
Intra Account Transfer	<u>6,292</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>6,292</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>439,764</u>	<u>31,667</u>	<u>9,117</u>	<u>480,548</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues</u>				
<u>and Other Financing Sources</u>				
<u>Over (Under) Expenditures</u>	4,891	(2,256)	(6,640)	(4,005)
<u>Fund Balances - January 1</u>	<u>983</u>	<u>21,447</u>	<u>34,374</u>	<u>56,804</u>
<u>Fund Balances - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 5,874</u>	<u>\$ 19,191</u>	<u>\$ 27,734</u>	<u>\$ 52,799</u>

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*SCHEDULE B-4
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Fund - Conservation Commission
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996*

Revenues

Miscellaneous

Interest Income	\$ 800
Other	222

Other Financing Sources

Operating Transfers In

General Fund	<u>1,425</u>
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<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	2,447
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Expenditures

Current

Conservation Commission	<u>1,579</u>
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Excess of Revenues and Other

<u>Financing Sources Over Expenditures</u>	868
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<u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	<u>13,413</u>
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<u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 14,281</u>
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SCHEDULE B-5
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Fund - Cemetery Trustees
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

<u>Revenues</u>	
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	
Burial Ground Funds	\$ 16,700
Sale of Graves	68
Interest Income	343
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>	
General Fund	44,342
Trust Funds	<u>25,000</u>
<u>Total Revenues and</u>	
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	\$ 86,453
<u>Expenditures</u>	
<u>Current</u>	
<u>General Government</u>	
Wages and Employee Benefits	\$ 40,286
Contract Labor	600
Insurance	221
Utilities	653
Tools and Supplies	16
Miscellaneous	266
Capital Outlay	25,000
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>	
<u>Operating Transfers Out</u>	
Trust Funds	<u>21,063</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and</u>	
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>88,105</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and</u>	
<u>Other Financing Sources Over (Under)</u>	
<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	(1,652)
<u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	<u>18,352</u>
<u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 16,700</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

SCHEDULE C-1
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Capital Projects Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 1996

<u>ASSETS</u>	Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade	Municipal Landfill Closure	Total
Cash and Equivalents	\$	\$ 201,157	\$ 201,157
Interfund Receivable	<u> </u>	<u>25,456</u>	<u>25,456</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ -0-</u>	 <u>\$ 226,613</u>	 <u>\$ 226,613</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>			
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Retainage Payable	\$ 6,865	\$ 201,157	\$ 208,022
Interfund Payable	<u>3,179</u>	<u> </u>	<u>3,179</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>10,044</u>	<u>201,157</u>	<u>211,201</u>
 <u>Fund Balances</u>			
Reserved For Encumbrances		96,308	96,308
<u>Unreserved</u>			
Undesignated (Deficit)	<u>(10,044)</u>	<u>(70,852)</u>	<u>(80,896)</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>(10,044)</u>	<u>25,456</u>	<u>15,412</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	 <u>\$ -0-</u>	 <u>\$ 226,613</u>	 <u>\$ 226,613</u>

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SCHEDULE C-2
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Capital Projects Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Wastewater Treatment <u>Plant Upgrade</u>	Municipal Landfill <u>Closure</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
Proceeds of General Long-Term Debt	\$ 217,125	\$ 2,603,387	\$ 2,820,512
<u>Expenditures</u>			
<u>Capital Outlay</u>			
Architectural/Engineering	70,927	92,090	163,017
General Construction	130,119	2,147,824	2,277,943
Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures	9,150	24,550	33,700
Administration	15,198		15,198
Legal	<u>527</u>	<u> </u>	<u>527</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>225,921</u>	<u>2,264,464</u>	<u>2,490,385</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of</u>			
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>Over (Under) Expenditures</u>	(8,796)	338,923	330,127
<u>Fund Balances - January 1</u>	<u>(1,248)</u>	<u>(313,467)</u>	<u>(314,715)</u>
<u>Fund Balances - December 31</u>	<u>\$ (10,044)</u>	<u>\$ 25,456</u>	<u>\$ 15,412</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

*SCHEDULE D-1
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Trust and Agency Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 1996*

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Trust Funds</u>		<u>Agency Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Expendable</u>	<u>Nonexpendable</u>		
	<u>Capital Reserve</u>	<u>Town</u>		
Cash and Equivalents	\$	\$ 12,070	\$ 53,996	\$ 66,066
Investments	41,983	13,414,644		13,456,627
<u>Receivables</u>				
Interest		177,597		177,597
Other			2,078,091	2,078,091
Mortgage Notes Receivable		<u>573,202</u>		<u>573,202</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 41,983</u>	 <u>\$ 14,177,513</u>	 <u>\$ 2,132,087</u>	 <u>\$ 16,351,583</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>				
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Accounts Payable	\$	\$ 4,422	\$	\$ 4,422
Intergovernmental Payable	16,951			16,951
Interfund Payable		835,732		835,732
Escrow and Performance Deposits			53,996	53,996
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable			<u>2,078,091</u>	<u>2,078,091</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>16,951</u>	<u>840,154</u>	<u>2,132,087</u>	<u>2,989,192</u>
 <u>Fund Balances</u>				
Reserved For Endowments		13,324,280		13,324,280
Reserved For Special Purposes	<u>25,032</u>	<u>13,079</u>		<u>38,111</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>25,032</u>	<u>13,337,359</u>		<u>13,362,391</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	 <u>\$ 41,983</u>	 <u>\$ 14,177,513</u>	 <u>\$ 2,132,087</u>	 <u>\$ 16,351,583</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

*SCHEDULE D-2
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Agency Funds
Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996*

<u>Developers' Performance Bond Fund</u>	<u>Balance January 1, 1996</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance December 31, 1996</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Equivalents	<u>\$ 83,699</u>	<u>\$ 8,938</u>	<u>\$ 38,641</u>	<u>\$ 53,996</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Escrow and Performance Deposits	<u>\$ 83,699</u>	<u>\$ 8,938</u>	<u>\$ 38,641</u>	<u>\$ 53,996</u>
<u>Deferred Compensation Plan</u>				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Due From Others	<u>\$ 1,557,097</u>	<u>\$ 567,846</u>	<u>\$ 46,852</u>	<u>\$ 2,078,091</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	<u>\$ 1,557,097</u>	<u>\$ 567,846</u>	<u>\$ 46,852</u>	<u>\$ 2,078,091</u>
<u>Kids Kingdom Committee</u>				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Equivalents	<u>\$ 158</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 158</u>	<u>\$</u>
Investments	<u>16,500</u>	<u></u>	<u>16,500</u>	<u></u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 16,658</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 16,658</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Escrow and Performance Deposits	<u>\$ 16,658</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 16,658</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>
<u>Total - All Agency Funds</u>				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Equivalents	<u>\$ 83,857</u>	<u>\$ 8,938</u>	<u>\$ 38,799</u>	<u>\$ 53,996</u>
Investments	<u>16,500</u>	<u></u>	<u>16,500</u>	<u></u>
Due From Others	<u>1,557,097</u>	<u>567,846</u>	<u>46,852</u>	<u>2,078,091</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,657,454</u>	<u>\$ 576,784</u>	<u>\$ 102,151</u>	<u>\$ 2,132,087</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Escrow and Performance Deposits	<u>\$ 100,357</u>	<u>\$ 8,938</u>	<u>\$ 55,299</u>	<u>\$ 53,996</u>
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	<u>1,557,097</u>	<u>567,846</u>	<u>46,852</u>	<u>2,078,091</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 1,657,454</u>	<u>\$ 576,784</u>	<u>\$ 102,151</u>	<u>\$ 2,132,087</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

SCHEDULE I
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Town Clerk's Account
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

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<u>Motor Vehicle Permits Issued</u>		\$ 1,734,791
<u>Motor Vehicle Title Fees</u>		7,444
<u>Motor Vehicle Agent Fees</u>		43,793
<u>Dog Licenses</u>		
Town Share	\$ 3,858	
State Share	<u>2,131</u>	5,989
<u>UCC Filing Fees</u>		9,183
<u>Vital Statistics</u>		
Town Share	\$ 2,835	
State Share	<u>9,614</u>	12,449
<u>Miscellaneous</u>		<u>9,088</u>
<u>Total Collected for Licenses and Fees</u>		<u>\$ 1,822,737</u>

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<u>Remittance to Treasurer</u>	<u>\$ 1,822,737</u>
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*SCHEDULE II
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Trust Funds
Summary of Principal and Income
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996*

	Principal			
	Balance January 1, <u>1996</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	Balance December 31, <u>1996</u>
<u>Nonexpendable Trust Funds</u>				
Real Estate Trust	\$ 12,994,829	\$ 188,320	\$ 39,375	\$ 13,143,774
Cemetery	169,901	18,100	24,678	163,323
Town Needy	3,781			3,781
Library	9,636			9,636
Sports Scholarship	3,667	100		3,767
<u>Expendable Trust Funds</u>				
<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>				
Hampton Beach Village Precinct	5,156			5,156
<u>Capital Outlay</u>				
Apparatus Replacement		8,000		8,000
Fire Fighting Apparatus	<u>45,000</u>	<u></u>	<u>22,102</u>	<u>22,898</u>
<u>Total All Trust Funds</u>	<u>\$ 13,231,970</u>	<u>\$ 214,520</u>	<u>\$ 86,155</u>	<u>\$ 13,360,335</u>

Income				
Balance January 1, <u>1996</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	Balance December 31, <u>1996</u>	Balance of Principal and Income <u>December 31, 1996</u>
\$	\$ 849,252	\$ 849,252	\$	\$ 13,143,774
5,759	8,799	1,730	12,828	176,151
1	13	13	1	3,782
1	379	379	1	9,637
153	211	114	250	4,017
3,034	427		3,461	8,617
	334		334	8,334
<u>75</u>	<u>2,059</u>	<u> </u>	<u>2,134</u>	<u>25,032</u>
<u>\$ 9,023</u>	<u>\$ 861,474</u>	<u>\$ 851,488</u>	<u>\$ 19,009</u>	<u>\$ 13,379,344</u>

SINGLE AUDIT ACT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS AND SCHEDULE

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE BASED ON AN AUDIT OF GENERAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

We have audited the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified as indicated therein, dated January 31, 1997.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

The management of the Town of Hampton is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general-purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton for the year ended December 31, 1996, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general-purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Town of Hampton

Independent Auditor's Report on the Internal Control Structure Based on an Audit of General-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

We noted a certain matter involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be a reportable condition under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general-purpose financial statements.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the general-purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

However, we noted the following matter involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be a material weakness as defined above. This condition was considered in determining the nature, timing and extent of the procedures to be performed in our audit of the financial statements of the Town of Hampton for the year ended December 31, 1996.

TRUST FUND RECORDKEEPING

We stated in our prior-year reports that we spent a considerable amount of audit time annually reconciling the various trust fund activity, primarily in the area of the real estate trust account. There are no formal receipt and disbursement journals maintained.

We suggested, as we have in the past, that the Trust Fund activity be reported utilizing the advantages of a computerized system. This would be particularly advantageous in preparing the annual Trust Fund reports for the State (MS-9 & 10). We have also previously suggested that the financial information (receipts, disbursements, bank statements, etc.) relative to the real estate trust, be assembled by the Town's Director of Finance, for monthly review by the Trustees.

This year's examination further revealed the need for immediate improvement in the handling of the Town's Trust Funds. We continue to expend an inordinate amount of time reconciling the year-end Trust Fund reports with the actual activity. We discovered during the audit, that the bank had made an error of \$26,805 in reporting 1996 net income from the Real Estate Trust Fund. Without diligently analyzing twelve months of transactions, this amount would not have been uncovered.

Town of Hampton

Independent Auditor's Report on the Internal Control Structure Based on an Audit of General-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

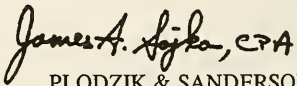
Performing this type of detailed examination of transactions, is beyond the scope of an annual financial audit, the purpose of which is to issue an opinion on the Town's financial statements as of December 31. Further, as evidenced, the Trust Fund resources of the Town of Hampton are at risk, if the sole responsibility for uncovering mistakes and errors throughout the year rests with the independent audit. Proper recording of transactions as they occur, along with monthly reconciliation with the bank statement, is an important part of the internal accounting controls.

There is presently over \$13 million in the custody of trustees, which included real estate mortgages receivable. Responsible officials need to recognize the need to establish formal procedures for recordkeeping for these funds.

As we have stated in the past, we would be pleased to assist the Trustees in this regard.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

January 31, 1997


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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE USED IN ADMINISTERING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

We have audited the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified as indicated therein, dated January 31, 1997.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, *Audits of State and Local Governments*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

In planning and performing our audit for the year ended December 31, 1996, we considered the internal control structure of the Town of Hampton, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Town of Hampton's general-purpose financial statements and to report on the internal control structure in accordance with OMB Circular A-128. This report addresses our consideration of internal control structure policies and procedures relevant to compliance with requirements applicable to federal financial assistance programs. We have addressed internal control structure policies and procedures relevant to our audit of the general-purpose financial statements in a separate report dated January 31, 1997.

The management of the Town of Hampton is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general-purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that federal financial assistance programs are managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors, irregularities, or instances of noncompliance may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

Town of Hampton
Independent Auditor's Report on the Internal Control Structure
used in Administering Federal Financial Assistance Programs

For the purpose of this report, we have classified the significant internal control structure policies and procedures used in administering federal financial assistance programs in the following categories:

Accounting Controls

- Treasury
- Revenue/Receipts
- Purchases/Disbursements
- External Financial Reporting
- Payroll/Personnel

Administrative Controls - General

- Political Activity
- Civil Rights
- Cash Management
- Federal Financial Reports
- Allowable Costs/Cost Principles
- Administrative Requirements

Administrative Controls - Specific

- Types of services
- Eligibility
- Matching
- Reporting
- Cost Allocation

For all of the internal control structure categories listed above, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and determined whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk.

During the year ended December 31, 1996, the Town of Hampton had no major federal financial assistance programs and expended 65 percent of its total federal financial assistance under the following nonmajor federal financial assistance program.

<u>Grantor/ Agency</u>	<u>CFDA Number</u>	<u>Federal Program Name</u>
Federal Emergency Management	83.516	Disaster Assistance

We performed tests of controls, as required by OMB Circular A-128, to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of internal control structure policies and procedures that we have considered relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with specific requirements, general requirements, and requirements governing claims for advances and reimbursements and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to the aforementioned nonmajor program. Our procedures were less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on these internal control structure policies and procedures. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

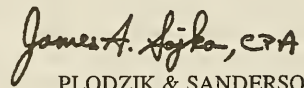
Town of Hampton

*Independent Auditor's Report on the Internal Control Structure
used in Administering Federal Financial Assistance Programs*

Our consideration of the internal control structure policies and procedures used in administering federal financial assistance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with laws and regulations that would be material to a federal financial assistance program may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE BASED ON AN AUDIT OF GENERAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

We have audited the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified as indicated therein, dated January 31, 1997.

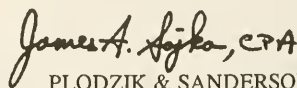
We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

Compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to the Town of Hampton is the responsibility of the Town of Hampton's management. As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of the Town of Hampton's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. However, the objective of our audit of the general-purpose financial statements was not to provide an opinion on overall compliance with such provisions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported herein under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

We have audited the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified as indicated therein, dated January 31, 1997.

We have applied procedures to test the Town of Hampton's compliance with the following requirements applicable to its federal financial assistance programs, which are identified in the Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance, for the year ended December 31, 1996:

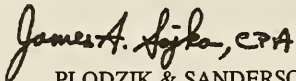
- Political Activity
- Civil Rights
- Cash Management
- Federal Financial Reports
- Allowable Costs/Cost Principles
- Administrative Requirements

Our procedures were limited to the applicable procedures described in the Office of Management and Budget's *Compliance Supplement for Single Audits of State and Local Governments*. Our procedures were substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on the Town of Hampton's compliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with the requirements listed in the second paragraph of this report. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Town of Hampton had not complied, in all material respects, with those requirements.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO NON-MAJOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

We have audited the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified as indicated therein, dated January 31, 1997.

In connection with our audit of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton and with our consideration of the Town of Hampton's control structure used to administer federal financial assistance programs, as required by Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, *Audits of State and Local Governments*, we selected certain transactions applicable to certain nonmajor federal financial assistance programs for the year ended December 31, 1996. As required by OMB Circular A-128, we have performed auditing procedures to test compliance with the requirements governing types of services allowed or unallowed, eligibility, matching, reporting, claims for reimbursements and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to those transactions. Our procedures were substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion of the Town of Hampton's compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Town of Hampton had not complied, in all material respects, with those requirements.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

January 31, 1997

James A. Fajko, CPA

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

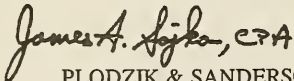
To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

We have audited the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified as indicated therein, dated January 31, 1997. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Hampton's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton, taken as a whole. The accompanying Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements. The information in that schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

January 31, 1997

James A. Fjika, CPA

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*SCHEDULE III
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996*

<u>FEDERAL GRANTOR/PASS THROUGH GRANTOR/PROGRAM TITLE</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Pass Through Grantors Number</u>	<u>Program or Award Amount</u>
US Department of Commerce Passed Through the State of New Hampshire <u>Office of State Planning</u>			
<u>Coastal Zone Management Administrative Award</u> Drakeside Road Culvert Replacement Project	11.419	N/A	\$ 15,000
Federal Emergency Management Agency Passed through State of New Hampshire - <u>Office of Emergency Management</u>			
Disaster Assistance	83.516	N/A	25,074
Totals			

Accrued (Deferred) Grant Revenues <u>January 1, 1996</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	Accrued (Deferred) Grant Revenues <u>December 31, 1996</u>
\$	\$ 12,982	\$ 12,982	\$
<u> </u>	<u>25,074</u>	<u>25,074</u>	<u> </u>
<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 38,056</u>	<u>\$ 38,056</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>

HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT

HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1996

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF
REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS**

The Board of Commissioners
Hampton Beach Village District
Hampton, New Hampshire 03842

We have audited the financial statements of the Hampton Beach Village District, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1996, in accordance with State of New Hampshire R.S.A. 71-A:19. Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Commissioners, Treasurer, and Trustees of Trust Funds.

As a part of our examination, we reviewed and tested the District's system of internal accounting control to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by generally accepted auditing standards. Under these standards, the purpose of such evaluation is to establish a basis for reliance thereon in determining the nature, timing, and extent of other auditing procedures that are necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

The objective of internal accounting controls is to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance as to the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that the cost of a system of internal accounting control should not exceed the benefits derived, and also recognizes that the evaluation of the factors necessarily requires the use of estimates and judgments by district officials.

In connection with our audit report dated February 12, 1996, we noted the following:

A. General Fixed Assets Accounting

In general, accounting for fixed assets provides information for estimating the amount of insurance needed, monitors asset utilization, provides a safeguarding over the asset, and allows for depreciation to be estimated when applicable. As reported in prior years communications, the District does not maintain records for its investment in property, plant and equipment because historical cost data is not available.

Current government accounting standards and generally accepted accounting principles require full disclosure of local government fixed asset funds for complete presentation of financial condition.

We recommend that the District adopt a system for fixed asset control that will include all property, plant and equipment purchases and the required depreciation schedules to recognize the net historical cost value of these assets.

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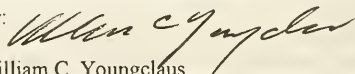
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Independent Auditor's Communication of Reportable
Conditions and Other Matters
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This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

In closing, I compliment and thank the Commissioners and staff of the Hampton Beach Village District for their competent assistance during the course of the audit.

William C. Youngclaus & Associates
Certified Public Accountants

By:



William C. Youngclaus
Certified Public Accountant

February 12, 1996

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Board of Commissioners
Hampton Beach Village District
Hampton, New Hampshire 03842

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Hampton Beach Village District as of December 31, 1996 and for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Hampton Beach Village District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements referred to above omit the general fixed asset account group, which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. This omission results in an incomplete presentation of the financial statements. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed asset account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the omission of the information discussed in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hampton Beach Village District as of December 31, 1996, and the results of its operations, changes in their fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary schedules are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the combined financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

William C. Youngclaus & Associates
Certified Public Accountants

By:



William C. Youngclaus
Certified Public Accountant

February 12, 1996

EXHIBIT A
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES
DECEMBER 31, 1996

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Fiduciary Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
				12/31/96	12/31/95
ASSETS					
Cash - Checking	\$ 28,905.99	\$ ----	\$ ----	\$ 28,905.99	\$ 70,967.41
Savings Account	72,761.24	16,951.44	13,209.66	102,922.34	23,982.67
Due From Other Funds	<u>----</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 101,667.23</u>	<u>\$ 24,951.44</u>	<u>\$ 13,209.66</u>	<u>\$ 139,828.33</u>	<u>\$ 102,950.08</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ 3,719.60	\$ ----	\$ ----	\$ 3,719.60	\$ 32,471.92
Due To Other Funds	<u>8,000.00</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>11,719.60</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>11,719.60</u>	<u>40,471.92</u>
Fund Equity:					
Fund Balances					
Reserved For Encumbrances	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 24,951.44	\$ ----	\$ 56,951.44	\$ ----
Unreserved;					
Designated For Subsequent					
Years Expenditures	----	----	13,209.66	13,209.66	17,027.22
Undesignated	<u>57,947.63</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>57,947.63</u>	<u>45,450.94</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>89,947.63</u>	<u>24,951.44</u>	<u>13,209.66</u>	<u>128,108.73</u>	<u>62,478.16</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 101,667.23</u>	<u>\$ 24,951.44</u>	<u>\$ 13,209.66</u>	<u>\$ 139,828.33</u>	<u>\$ 102,950.08</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EXHIBIT B
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND SURPLUS
GENERAL AND CAPITAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Fiduciary Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
				12/31/96	12/31/95
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$ 307,457.00	\$ ----	\$ ----	\$ 307,457.00	\$ 323,994.00
Inter-Governmental Revenue - State	795.79	----	----	795.79	795.79
Charges For Services	26,297.00	----	----	26,297.00	27,434.00
Miscellaneous Revenue - Refunds	234.50	----	12,295.00	12,529.50	371.00
Interest	2,722.15	762.20	76.68	3,561.03	2,408.78
Total Revenues	<u>337,506.44</u>	<u>762.20</u>	<u>12,371.68</u>	<u>350,640.32</u>	<u>355,003.57</u>
Expenditures					
General Governmental	38,105.40	----	----	38,105.40	46,336.58
Public Safety	41,981.83	----	----	41,981.83	47,529.46
Non-Exempt Taxation Only:					
Culture and Recreation	204,922.52	----	----	204,922.52	256,082.79
Total Expenditures	<u>285,009.75</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>285,009.75</u>	<u>349,948.83</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under)					
Expenditures	<u>52,496.69</u>	<u>762.20</u>	<u>12,371.68</u>	<u>65,630.57</u>	<u>5,054.74</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Operating Transfers In	----	8,000.00	----	8,000.00	8,000.00
Operating Transfers Out	(8,000.00)	----	----	(8,000.00)	(8,000.00)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(8,000.00)</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Sources (Uses)	44,496.69	8,762.20	12,371.68	65,630.57	5,054.74
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	<u>45,450.94</u>	<u>16,189.24</u>	<u>837.98</u>	<u>62,478.16</u>	<u>57,423.42</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 89,947.63</u>	<u>\$ 24,951.44</u>	<u>\$ 13,209.66</u>	<u>\$ 128,108.73</u>	<u>\$ 62,478.16</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EXHIBIT C
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (GAAP BASIS)
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		Variance
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Favorable</u> <u>(Unfavorable)</u>
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 306,127.00	\$ 307,457.00	\$ 1,330.00
Inter-Governmental Revenues - State	796.00	795.79	(0.21)
Charges for Services	25,000.00	26,297.00	1,297.00
Miscellaneous Revenue - Refunds	200.00	234.50	34.50
Interest	----	2,722.15	2,722.15
Total Revenues	332,123.00	337,506.44	5,383.44
Other Financing Sources:			
Operating Transfers In	----	----	----
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	332,123.00	337,506.44	5,383.44
Expenditures:			
General Governmental	44,930.00	38,105.40	(6,824.60)
Public Safety	49,030.00	41,981.83	(7,048.17)
Non-Exempt Taxation Only:			
Culture, Recreation and Advertising	230,500.00	236,922.52	6,422.52
Total Expenditures	324,460.00	317,009.75	(7,450.25)
Other Financing Uses:			
Operating Transfers Out	8,000.00	8,000.00	----
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	332,460.00	325,009.75	(7,450.25)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue and Other Financing Sources			
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(337.00)	12,496.69	12,833.69
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	45,450.94	45,450.94	----
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ 45,113.94	\$ 57,947.63	\$ 12,833.69

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EXHIBIT D
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

	General	Capital	Fiduciary	Totals	
	Fund	Projects	Funds	(Memorandum Only)	
		Fund		<u>12/31/96</u>	<u>12/31/95</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources					
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Sources	\$ 44,496.69	\$ 8,762.20	\$ 12,371.68	\$ 65,630.57	\$ 5,054.74
Adjustments to Reconcile Excess of Revenue and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Sources to Net Cash From Operations:					
Changes In Assets and Liabilities:					
Accounts Receivable Increase	----	----	----	----	2,044.00
Accounts Payable Increase (Decrease)	(28,752.32)	----	----	(28,752.32)	27,889.31
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash	15,744.37	8,762.20	12,371.68	36,878.25	34,988.05
Cash Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>85,922.86</u>	<u>8,189.24</u>	<u>837.98</u>	<u>94,950.08</u>	<u>59,962.03</u>
Cash Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 101,667.23</u>	<u>\$ 16,951.44</u>	<u>\$ 13,209.66</u>	<u>\$ 131,828.33</u>	<u>\$ 94,950.08</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial Reporting Entity

Hampton Beach Village District is a municipal corporation organized and designated as a District under the laws of the State of New Hampshire. The District is governed by an elected three member board of commissioners. The purpose of the District is to provide general government services, certain public safety services and culture and recreation benefits for Hampton Beach Village District. The District is located within the Town of Hampton, New Hampshire.

Types and Purposes of Funds

- A. General funds are intended to provide recurring general services. They are controlled by a budget approved by the voters. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid general/operation expenditures, fixed charges, and capital costs not paid through other funds.
- B. Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial assets obtained and used for the acquisition or improvement of major capital facilities. The District's Capital Projects Funds include the following:
 - 1. The General Capital Improvements Fund consists of monies voted in 1981 for capital improvements as the result of the sale of the saltwater protective system. The original voted amount was \$75,000. As of 12/31/96, the balance of the fund was \$8,617 including interest. Interest for 1996 was \$427.76.
 - 2. The Fire Equipment Capital Fund voted in March of 1995 and March of 1996 for the purpose of purchasing major fire equipment in subsequent years. As of 12/31/96, the balance of the fund was \$16,334.44 including interest. Interest for 1996 was \$334.44.
- C. Fiduciary Fund Types account for financial assets held by the district in a trustee or agency capacity for individuals or private organizations. The District's Fiduciary Funds consist of the following:
 - 1. Ross Trust Fund, designated for subsequent years childrens' benefit programs. The balance of this account at 12/31/96 was \$857.73. Interest for 1996 amounted to \$19.75.
 - 2. Hampton Beach Playground Contribution Fund, an agency fund, established for subsequent years playground additions. The balance of this fund at 12/31/96 was \$12,351.93. Interest for 1996 amounted to \$56.93.

Basis of Accounting

The accounting policies of the Hampton Beach Village District conform to generally accepted accounting principles for local governmental units except as indicated hereinafter.

Governmental funds utilize the modified accrual basis whereby revenues are recorded when measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when the liability is incurred (accrual basis) except:

- A. Disbursements for inventory items (materials and supplies) are considered expenditures at the time of purchase.
- B. Prepaid expenses are not normally recorded.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

General Fixed Asset Account Group

Property, plant and equipment acquired or constructed for general governmental services are recorded as expenditures in the fund making the expenditure. Funds used to acquire general fixed assets and/or debt service payments on borrowing in connection therewith are accounted for as expenditures in the year payments are made. This represents a departure from generally accepted accounting principles which require that fixed assets be capitalized and accounted for in a separate fixed asset group of accounts.

Total Columns on Combined Statements - Overview

Total columns on the Combined Statements - Overview are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund elimination's have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

2. BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

Significant General Budget Policies

The District follows a formal budgetary procedure in accordance with various legal requirements governing the District's operations.

At an annual District meeting the District adopts a budget for the current year for the General Fund.

Project-length budgets are adopted for the Capital Projects Fund when major capital facility expenditures are planned. The governing commissioners may transfer appropriations between exempt operating expenditures as they deem necessary, but not between exempt and non-exempt categories. All annual budget appropriations lapse at year end unless encumbered.

State statutes require annual balanced budgets but allow entities to use prior years unreserved fund balances as revenues to balance the current years appropriations. For the year ended December 31, 1996, \$337.00 of beginning General Fund unreserved balance was applied for this purpose.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is used for the general fund and capital projects funds. Encumbrances are recorded when purchase orders, contracts, and continuing appropriations are issued or voted, but are not considered expenditures until liabilities for payments are incurred. Encumbrances are reported as a reservation of fund balance on the balance sheet. Encumbrances do not lapse at year end but are carried forward as a reserved balance until liquidated.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

2. BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING (CONTINUED)

Reconciliation of Precinct Budget to GAAP Basis of Accounting

Amounts included as budgetary expenditures in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis) - General Fund (Exhibit C) are presented on the basis budgeted by the District and include encumbrances for subsequent years playground expenditures. This amount differs from those reported in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (Exhibit B) as follows:

Expenditures per Exhibit C	\$ 317,009.75
Encumbrances 12/31/96	<u>(32,000.00)</u>
Expenditures per Exhibit B	<u>\$ 285,009.75</u>

3. CASH AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

The District Treasurer is required by State statute to have custody of all monies belonging to the District and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the commissioners. The District Treasurer shall deposit all such monies in solvent banks in the state or in participation units in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383.22. Funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver to the state treasurer as collateral security for such deposits in value at least equal to the amount of the deposit in each case.

Whenever the District Treasurer has an excess of funds which are not immediately needed for the purpose of expenditure, State statutes require the Treasurer, with the approval of the commissioners to invest the same in obligations of the United States government, in savings bank deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in certificates of deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in national banks located within this state or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Any person who directly or indirectly receives any such funds or monies for deposit or for investment in securities of any kind shall, prior to acceptance of such funds, make available at the time of such deposit or investment an option to have such funds secured by collateral having a value at least equal to the amount of such funds. Such collateral shall be segregated for the exclusive benefit of the District. Only securities defined by the bank commissioner as provided by rules adopted pursuant to RSA 386:57 shall be eligible to be pledged as collateral.

For financial planning purposes, cash and equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and money market funds, as well as certificates of deposit and short-term investments with original maturities of 90 days or less.

As of December 31, 1996 all cash and savings deposits were insured by Federal Depository Insurance.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

4. DUE TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS

As of December 31, 1996, \$8000.00 was due from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund (Fire Equipment).

5. PROPERTY TAXES

The property tax year is from April 1st to March 31st and all property taxes are assessed on the property valuation taken in April of that year. The property tax rate is established in the fall by the State Department of Revenue Administration after the review and approval. The property taxes are collected by the Town of Hampton and paid over to the District, upon request, at various times during the year. The responsibility of tax collection and property tax liens is vested in the Town of Hampton.

Taxes raised by the District are assessed using different rates for non-exempt property and exempt property. Non-exempt property taxes are based on total budgeted appropriations, including appropriations for culture and recreation allocated to the District's activities.

Exempt property taxes exclude the appropriations for culture and recreation and are assessed only on the budgeted appropriations of general government and public safety.

For 1996, the total tax assessment consisted of:

	Valuation	Rate	Assessed Tax
Non-exempt	\$191,594,900	\$1.21/\$1000	\$ 231,830.00
Exempt	\$222,432,000	\$.34/\$1000	<u>75,627.00</u>
Total			<u>\$ 307,457.00</u>

6. LITIGATION

The District is a defendant in a suit, arising in the normal course of the District's activities. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of the suit will not have a material affect on the financial position of the District.

HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts, thefts of, damages to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District is insured under various policies covering the following:

<u>Policy</u>	<u>Coverage</u>
General Blanket and Fire Policy, Building and Contents	\$539,100 Per Occurrence
Boiler Equipment and Machinery Policy	\$300,000 Per Occurrence
Hazardous Waste Policy	\$100,000 Per Occurrence
Flood Insurance:	
Building	\$44,300
Contents	\$17,600
General Commercial Liability	\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence and \$2,000,000 Aggregate
Fire Commercial Liability	\$500,000 Per Occurrence
Public Official Liability	\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence and Aggregate
Workers Compensation	\$100,000 Per Accident
Bond Coverage	\$25,000
Automobile Liability Policy	\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence
Automobile Equipment Policy	\$274,000.00

The total cost of insurance coverage for the year ended July 1, 1997 was \$14,423.

**COMBINING AND INDIVIDUAL FUND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

SCHEDULE 1
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES - BUDGET AND
ACTUAL (GAAP BASIS) - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		Over (Under)
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
District Taxes	\$ 306,127.00	\$ 307,457.00	\$ 1,330.00
Inter-Governmental Revenues:			
Business Profits Tax	796.00	795.79	(0.21)
Charges For Services:			
Rent of District Property - Parking	25,000.00	26,297.00	1,297.00
Sale of Town Property	----	----	----
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Ashworth Fund	200.00	200.00	----
Rebates	----	34.50	34.50
Interest	----	2,722.15	2,722.15
Fund Surplus Used (Added) to Adjust Tax Rate	<u>337.00</u>	<u>337.00</u>	<u>----</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$ 332,460.00</u>	<u>\$ 337,843.44</u>	<u>\$ 5,383.44</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

SCHEDULE 2
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND
ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		Over (Under)
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
General Government:			
Office Salaries and Expense	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,725.00	\$ (275.00)
Financial Administration	3,300.00	3,300.00	----
Legal Expense	2,500.00	1,072.00	(1,428.00)
General Government Building Maintenance	17,655.00	14,501.52	(3,153.48)
Insurance	14,500.00	14,536.00	36.00
Other General Government	4,975.00	2,970.88	(2,004.12)
Total General Government	<u>\$ 44,930.00</u>	<u>\$ 38,105.40</u>	<u>\$ (6,824.60)</u>
Public Safety:			
Fire Equipment	\$ 7,600.00	\$ 7,755.47	\$ 155.47
Fire Station Maintenance	7,600.00	6,299.65	(1,300.35)
Fire Truck Repair	9,100.00	7,724.67	(1,375.33)
Fire Gasoline	1,605.00	----	(1,605.00)
Fire Communications	10,500.00	6,650.20	(3,849.80)
Fire Utilities and Supplies	12,625.00	13,551.84	926.84
Total Public Safety	<u>\$ 49,030.00</u>	<u>\$ 41,981.83</u>	<u>\$ (7,048.17)</u>
Non-Exempt Taxation Only:			
Culture, Recreation, and Advertising:			
Advertising	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 134,586.20	\$ (5,413.80)
Band	48,000.00	47,000.00	(1,000.00)
Children's Day	2,500.00	2,500.00	----
Fireworks	26,000.00	23,120.00	(2,880.00)
Playground Expense	14,000.00	29,716.32	15,716.32
Total Culture, Recreation, and Advertising	<u>\$ 230,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 236,922.52</u>	<u>\$ 6,422.52</u>
Transfers Out to Capital Reserve Fund	<u>\$ 8,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 8,000.00</u>	<u>\$ ----</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$ 332,460.00</u>	<u>\$ 325,009.75</u>	<u>\$ (7,450.25)</u>

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Residential Rubbish Collection Schedule

(DPW Tel: 926-3202)

Area of Town	Year Round Collection
1. Ocean Boulevard, from Winnacunnet Rd. south to Seabrook town line, west to Marsh.	Monday
2. Lafayette Road, both sides, and west to Exeter line.	Tuesday
3. North of High Street to N. Hampton line,	Wednesday
4. High Street, both sides to Ocean Blvd., and south-west to Hampton Falls town line.	Thursday
5. Ocean Blvd., from Winnacunnet Rd. north to North Hampton town line, west to Eel Creek, excluding lower end of Winnacunnet Rd. & High Street.	Friday

Commercial Rubbish Collection Schedule

All Schools & Stores.....Monday through Friday

All Eating Places.....Monday through Friday
(also Saturday & Sunday during summer*)

All Hotels, Motels, Apartment Complexes w/ 6+ units....Mon., Wed., & Friday

All Filling Stations.....Monday & Friday

**Summer season begins the third Monday in June and ends the second Saturday in September*

Spring Clean-Up

UptownFirst Week in June

Beach.....Last Week in May

Holiday Collections

Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day will receive normal pick-up.

Scheduled collections on the remaining holidays will be picked up the next day. During severe inclement weather, no pick-ups will be made until the following week on the scheduled day.

Transfer Station Hours

(Entrance: Landing Road near Winnacunnet Road)

1997 HOURS: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Thursday Noon - 3:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Closed Tuesday and Sunday

